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## Introduction.

The greatest industry of the age is undoubtedly that of the production of iron and steel. With the almost incredible development, that this industry has undergone in the last twenty years, it is to be expected that the accompanying processes would develop on a more or less similar scale. Such has been the case with the handling of iron-ore. Up to a few years ago, all the ore used was unloaded by hand. An ore-boat when going up to the ore-dock, expected to remain there for a few weeks, whereas now, the time required for unloading is counted in hours. On all the principal docks, has been installed some form of mechanical unloader.

It is the purpose of this thesis to describe the ore-handling plant at South Chicago and investigate the members of the traveling gantry crane. The plant is located on the North Slip, at the South Works of the Illinois Steel Company.







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Note. The pictures used as figures in this article were taken just after the completion of the second ore-bridge and consequently do not show the four ore-bridges, which are now installed in this plant. They were published in an article that appeared in the "Iron Age" in the issue of Sept. 4, 1902; some of the data for this article was obtained from the same source.





Part I.

Description of the Ore-Handling Plant.





## Art. 1. General Description.

The ore-handling plant was designed by Hoover and Mason, Contracting Engineers for Excavating and Conveying Machinery, Railway Exchange Building Chicago. The details were worked out and the entire plant fabricated at the North Works of the Illinois Steel Company.

The Iron Age for Sept. 4, 1902, says - "This ore-handling system is the most comprehensive thus far installed, including as it does every operation in handling ore at a furnace plant, from the unloading of the vessels by machinery to the filling of the stacks. ....

"The ingenuity displayed in accomplishing results, heretofore deemed impracticable to be undertaken by mechanical appliances, has elicited the unstinted commendation of the most experienced engineers.

"The practical utility - the saving of labor and money - of the new system





and ore-handling devices has been fully demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Illinois Steel Company, and to the gratification of the designing engineers. When first adapted to the needs of one furnace, the invention was regarded as somewhat of an experiment in the way of ore-handling, but the fact that the system has been extended to another furnace, each having a daily capacity of 500 tons, is proof that it is a success.

"Under the old method of handling ore at South Chicago, from the boats at the dock to the charge at the furnace, over 300 men were employed for two furnaces, but the completion of the Hoover and Mason system permits the same amount of work to be done by 26, with little noise, no confusion and at a minimum cost."

Briefly, the plant consists of fifteen unloaders on the edge of the slip, four traveling gantry-cranes, and the ore pockets and storage yard. Each unloader has a five-ton bucket of the clam shell type, that runs out over the slip on a





pivoted arm. The grabs of the unloaders dump into cars on tracks directly below the unloaders, or into a large V-shaped trough just back of the tracks. The cars are used when it is wished to take the ore to furnaces other than those served by this plant. The trough is used for the ore intended for the six 500 ton furnaces, served directly by this plant. See Fig. 1. and 3.

The ore is taken from the trough by the ten-ton grabs of the four gantry-cranes and deposited in the storage yard or directly in the ore pockets as may be required. The ore-pockets are served by ~~an~~ electric lauries which run beneath them, and almost automatically take the required amounts of ore from the ore-pockets on one side and of coke and limestone from the pockets on the other side, for the furnace charges. The lauries deliver to skip hoists that automatically dump the charge into the charging bell at the top of the furnace stacks. See Fig. 2.





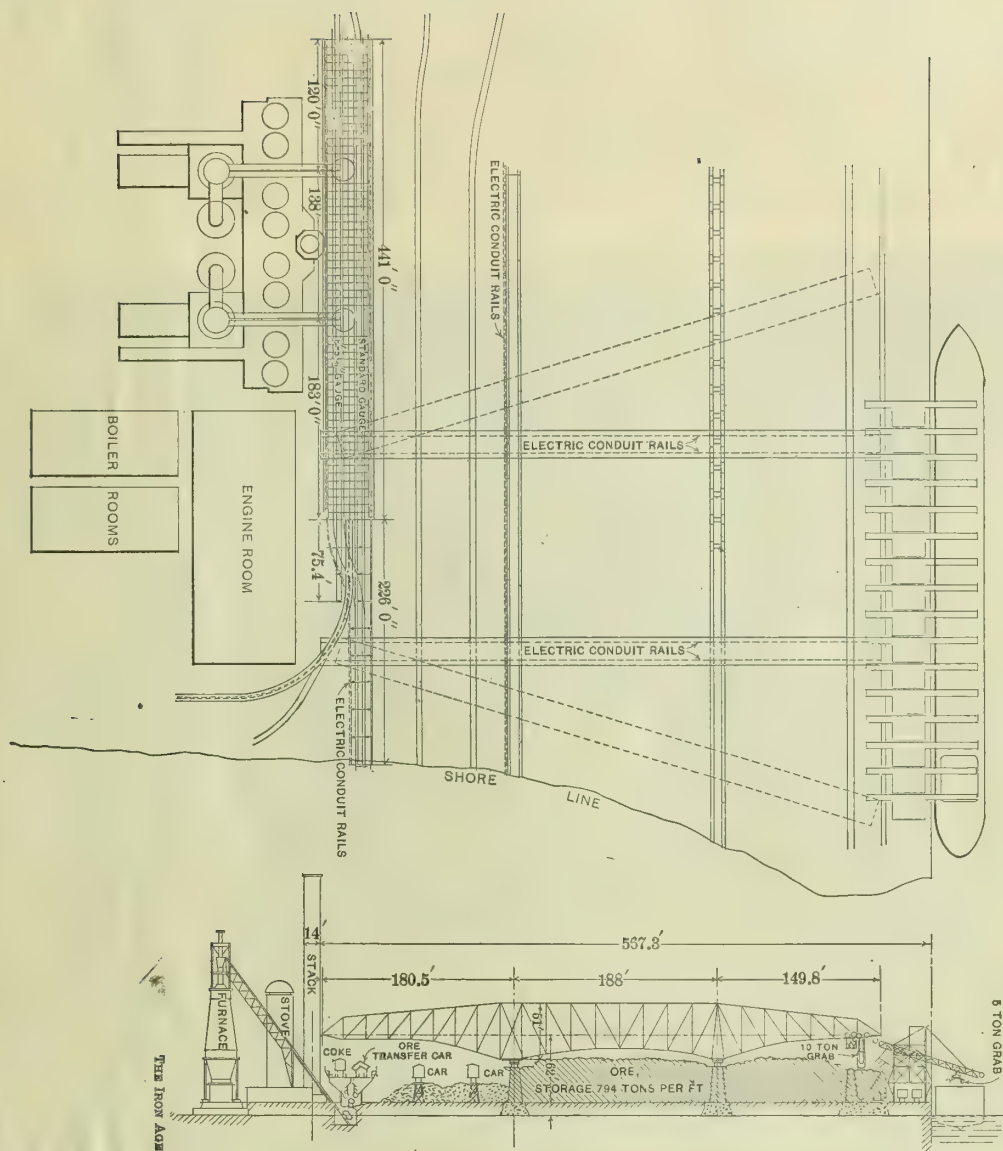


Fig. 1. General Plan and Elevation.

Fig. 2. Electric Lorry or Scale Car under Pockets.





## Art. 2. The Unloaders.

The unloaders are seventy-foot towers about thirty by forty feet. They span two standard railroad tracks, and can be moved along the dock on their own tracks, under their own power. Each tower supports an inclined pivoted arm or boom that carries a five-ton grab. The object of the pivot is that the arm may be raised to clear the vessel moving in the slip. <sup>See Fig. 3.</sup> The grab can be lowered from any point along the arm and can be dumped automatically either into the weighing hopper in the lower part of the tower, or into the trough at the rear of the tower under the other end of the arm. See Fig. 1 and 3.

The unloaders average 125 to 200 tons per hour per machine at an average cost of about three cents per ton.

The power used for the unloaders is steam, taken by flexible connections from a steam main that runs the full length of the dock front, in a six-foot tunnel that is in the wall







*Fig. 3. End View of Battery of Unloaders.  
Concrete Receiving Trough.*



*Fig. 4. Unloaders in Position for Work.  
Fig. 5. General View of Plant. (over)*

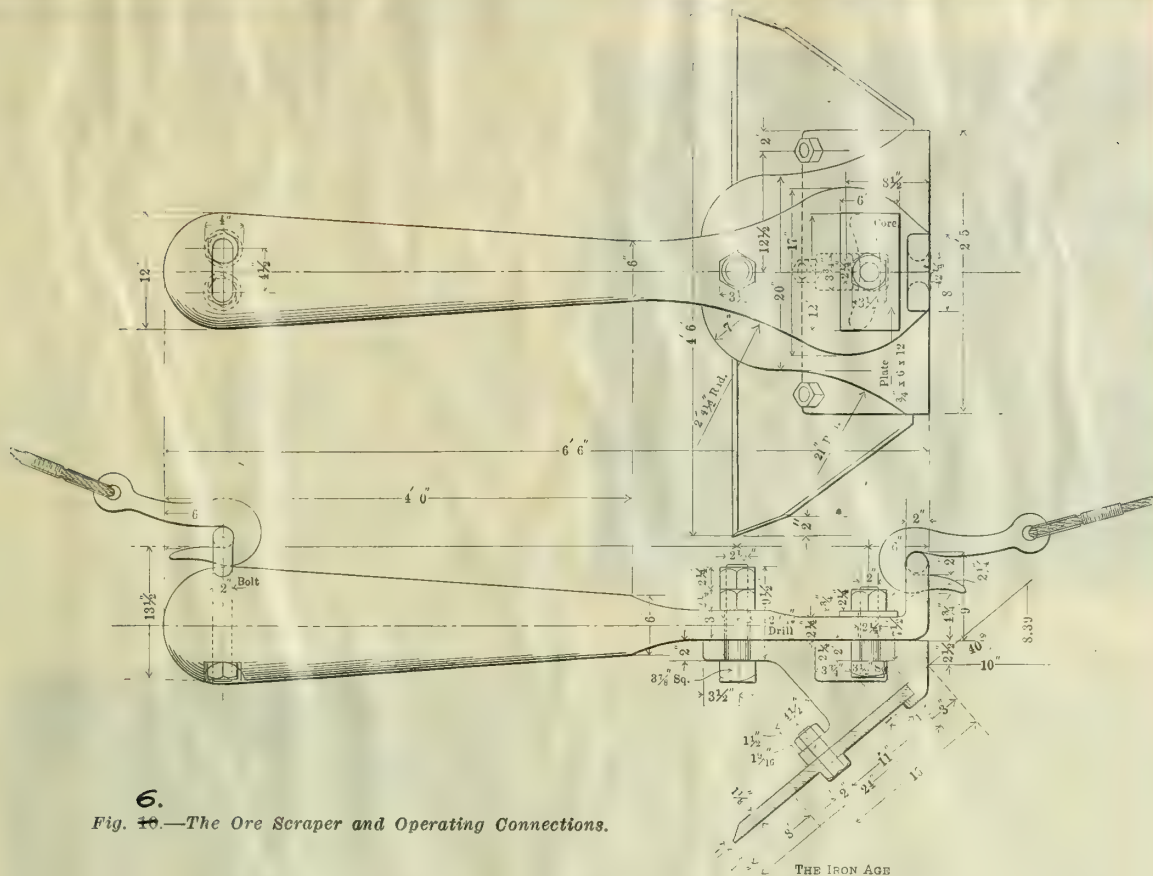




of the V-shaped trough. See Fig. 3. This tunnel is also used as passageway. Each unloader requires one man to operate it. This man also has charge of the engine running the scraper. That is used in the hold of the vessel for pulling the ore up to the hatch where the grab can get it. This scraper is nothing more or less than an enormous hoe, with a blade four and a half feet wide. Its operation is controlled by a workman in the hold. See Fig. 6 and 7. By its use, the manual labor that was formerly necessary is done away with, and much time is saved.

One of the early records made possible by the help of this scraper, was the removal of one entire hatch of 540 tons of ore, in four hours and one minute at a cost of two dollars per hour, or less than one and one half cents per ton. This included scraping about one half of it to the hatch.





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Fig. 6.—The Ore Scraper and Operating Connections.

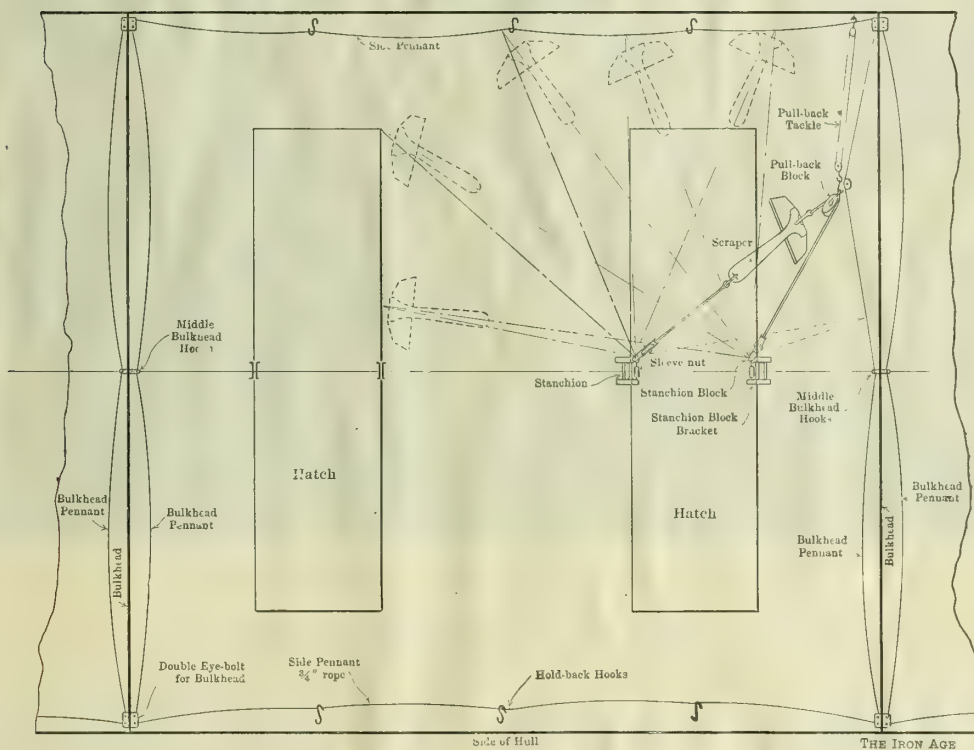


Fig. 7. Showing Operation of Scraper.





### Art. 3. The Receiving Trough.

The receiving trough is made for the most part of slag-concrete; the first portion built was of brick. It is V-shaped being about 16 ft deep and 20 ft. across the top, and has a round bottom to facilitate the work of the grabs in taking out the ore. The back-face of the "V" is vertical, while the one on the side of the unloaders is at an angle of about  $60^\circ$  with the vertical. Under the latter face is the tunnel already mentioned, which extends the full length of the dock; see Fig. 3.

### Art. 4. The Receiving Tracks.

As shown in Fig. 3 and also at extreme right hand side of Fig. 1, the unloaders span two standard tracks. These tracks are for the purpose of giving to furnaces, other than those served by the plant directly, the benefit of cheap, quick unloading; then, too, probably, some time is saved in the unloading, as the





grabs would have a slightly shorter trip than when they run out to the end over the receiving trough.

#### Art. 5. The Traveling Gantry Cranes.

The traveling gantry-cranes, or ore-bridges as they are more commonly known, are about 520 ft. long, and are supported by two concrete walls or piers, 188 ft. center to center, that are parallel to the dock as shown on Fig. 1. and 8. These piers serve as dividing lines for the different grades of ore in the yard, as well as runways for the ore bridges. From Fig. 1. it is seen that each ore-bridge has a central span of 188 ft. and two overhanging or cantilever arms of about 180 and 150 ft. respectively.

Over each pier is a tower that is supported on a car. The car on the north pier has a bearing between the two trusses that acts as a pivot; in addition to this, is a set of cone bearings. The tower on this car is called the fixed tower and that on the south pier is called the



roller tower because of the double set of rollers that permits both lateral and transverse motions of the bridge on the car itself. The object of this is, that the bridge may be skewed to a position other than normal to the piers. The maximum skew is  $17^{\circ}$  either way from the normal; the total distance between the two maxima is about 115 ft. measured along the pier, if the fixed tower is not moved. The end of the furnace arm moves over 220 ft. between the two maximum skewed positions. Fig. 1. shows the bridge in both the normal and a skewed position. This property of the bridge is more valuable than would at first be supposed, as it gives a much better command of the storage yard, and makes possible a better discrimination in the storing of different grades or varieties of ore.

The bridge is operated electrically. For the movement of the bridge along the piers there are two 35 HP Westinghouse railway motors and for operating the





grab there are two 125 HP motors of the same type. The maximum capacity of the grab is about 13 tons, but the average load is about 10 tons. The maximum transverse speed of the grab is about 1000 ft. and the maximum hoisting speed about 100 ft. per minute. The bucket itself weighs 11 tons and the entire trolley when loaded weighs something over 100,000 lb.

The operator of the bridge and his assistant travel with the load, and have complete control of all movements of bridge and trolley so that it is possible to load or unload with exactness from any point on the bridge. The grab may deliver to cars on trestles over the reserve stock piles or directly into the transfer cars on the ore pockets as well as any point of the yard. See Fig. 8.





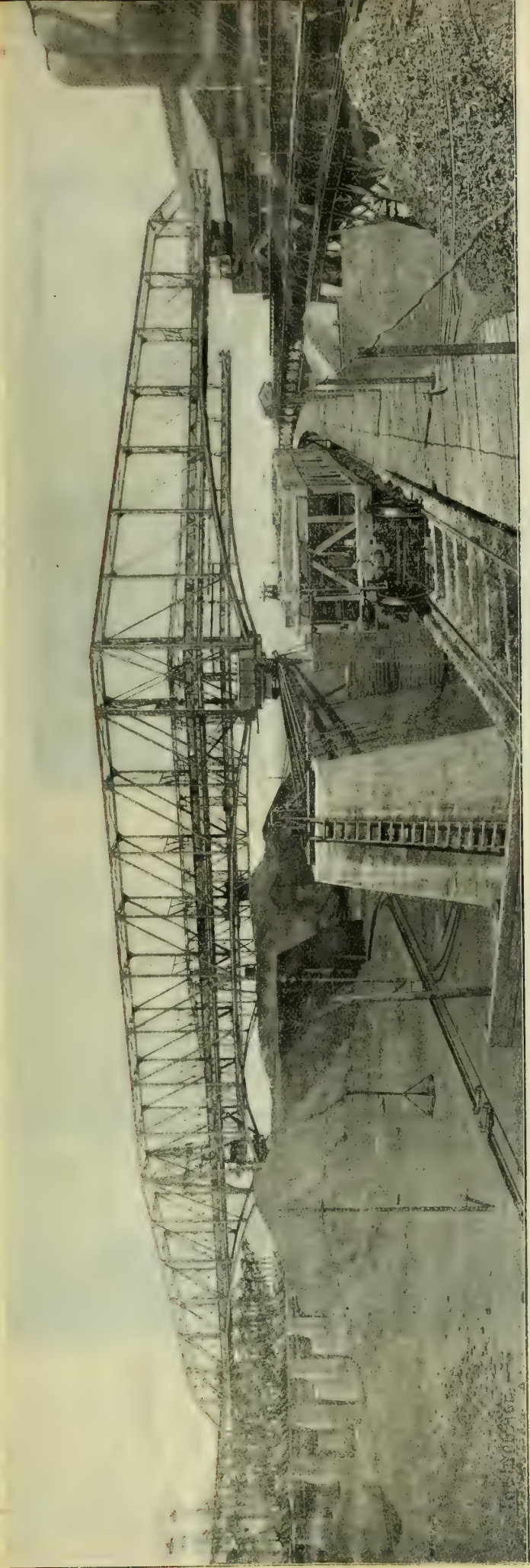


Fig. 8. Traveling Gantry Cranes.

Battery of Unloaders

Are Pockets.

Skip-Hoist.

Storage Yard.

Reserve Limestone and Coke.

Stoves.



### Art. 6. The Ore Storage Yard.

As already stated and as shown by Fig. 1 and 8, the supporting piers form division walls for different grades of ore. The space between the receiving trough and the south pier is used entirely for ore storage, the capacity being 794 tons per linear foot. Between the south pier and the ore pockets, are the reserve stock-piles of coke and limestone which, in addition to the ore bridges are served by tracks on trestles.

### Art. 7. The Ore Pockets.

The ore pockets are huge steel troughs which are divided into compartments of seventy tons capacity. The compartments are in pairs, and as shown on Fig. 9, the series on the yard side are for ore and those on the furnace side are for coke and limestone. The pockets are supported on two rows of steel columns which also carry a standard gage and a wide-gage track over each series of pockets. The wide gage is for the transfer cars, one of which is shown





in Fig. 9. These cars are  $\Delta$  bottomed with hinged sides that are used to distribute the ore or other material along the pockets as it is received from the grab of the ore bridge.

The pockets are of a general V shape longitudinally, with vertical ends. At the bottom of the V shown on Fig. 2 and 9, is a most ingenious roller screen, which has for its most important function, the measuring out of a definite amount of material. By throwing in a gear the roller is connected to a shaft and caused to revolve, and by revolving a certain distance, a certain amount of material is passed out and caught on the electric laury or scale car. See Fig. 7.

Each of the six furnaces has its own laury and pair of skip hoists. The capacity of the laury is that of two skip hoists or about 40,000 lb. Another ingenious thing is the automatic recorder on the laury which weighs every bit of material taken onto the car. This recorder is correct to 0.3 of one per cent. By the use of the electric laury, the recorder,





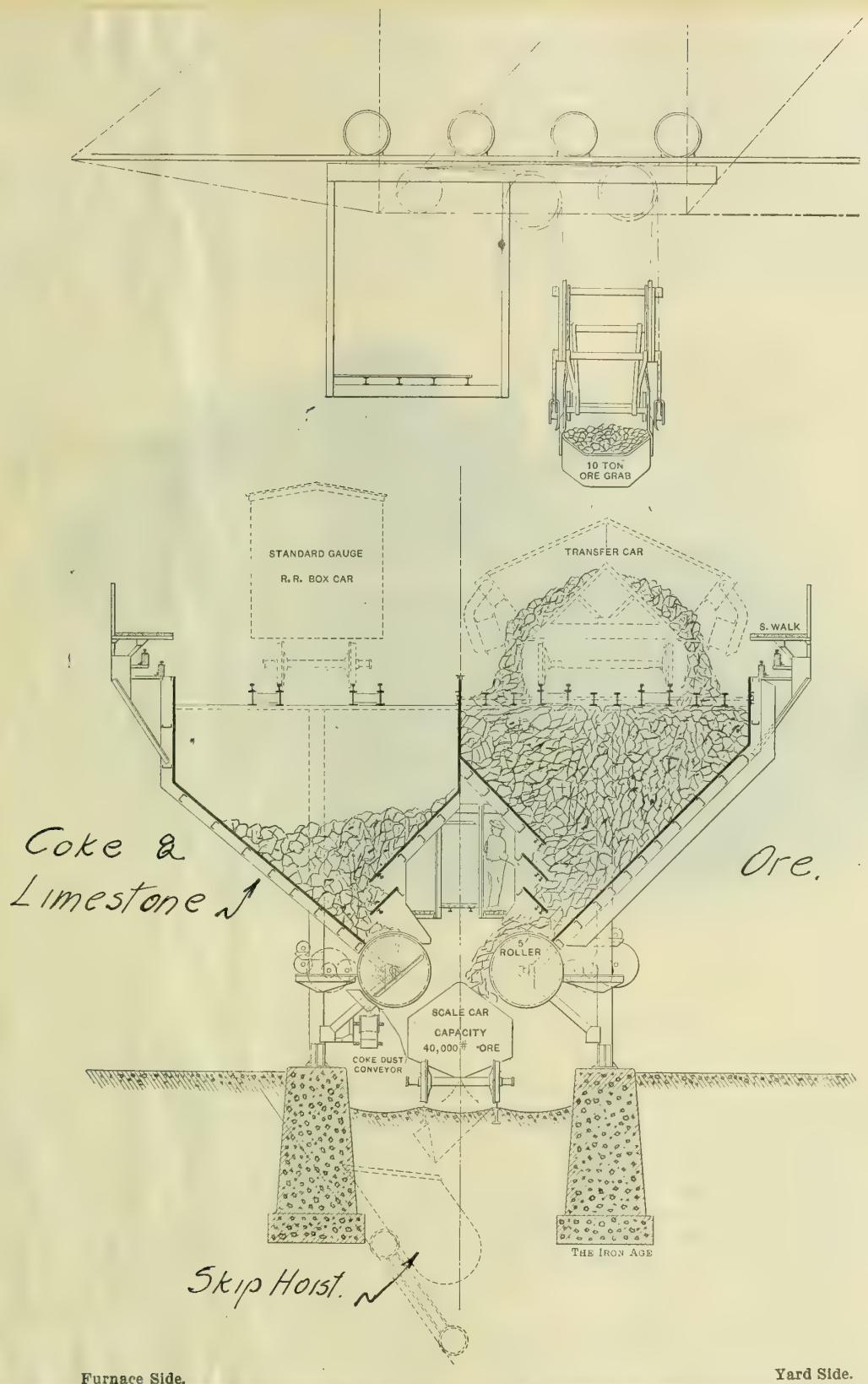


Fig. 9. Cross Section of Pockets, Lantry and Hoist.  
Fig. 10. The electric Lantry or Scale Car.



and the skip-hoists only one man is required to supply each furnace.

To avoid the freezing of the ore, or to thaw out already frozen ore, hot air is circulated through the double walls of the pockets.

### Art. 8. The Skip-Hoists.

The skip-hoist is the modern furnace-charging machine. It has superseded the old wheelbarrow elevator at all up to date plants. The essentials are an inclined track running from beneath the electric laury to the top of the furnace stack, and a car which, when pulled to the top by a cable, will automatically discharge its contents into the charging bells. The skip-hoists in this plant are in pairs, each having a capacity of about ten tons. The movement of the skip hoists is controlled by the operator of the laury. See Fig. 9 and 10.





*Part II.*

*Investigation of the Gantry Crane.*





## Art. 9. General Form and Dimensions.

The gantry crane consists of two Pratt trusses 518.5 ft. in length, spaced 25 ft. center to center and supported, as already mentioned, on piers that are 188 ft. center to center; see Fig. 1. The cantilever arms are 149.9 ft. and 180.6 ft. long on the dock and furnace ends respectively. The central span is 181.5 ft., there being eight panels, each of which is  $22'-8\frac{1}{4}"$ . The upper chord of this span is straight but the lower is curved except in the two center panels. The cantilever arm on the dock end has seven panels of  $21'-5"$  making a length of  $149'-11"$  or 149.9'. The upper chord of this arm is sloped down from the pier panel or fixed tower, where the truss is 51' deep to the end vertical post where the truss is 18' deep; the bottom chord is curved; see Fig. 1.

The cantilever arm on the furnace end has the same general shape, but is longer, and has the



three end panels with straight lower chords. There are nine panels including the pier panel or roller tower, of  $20'-9\frac{1}{2}"$  each, thus giving a total length of  $187'-1\frac{1}{2}"$ .

In each of the towers the lower chords consist of heavy box-girders which are cross-braced and thoroughly tied together. The box girders of the fixed tower are  $17'-8\frac{1}{2}"$  long and  $5'-0"$  deep; those of the roller tower are of the same depth but are  $27'-0"$  long. In both towers, the girders extend several feet beyond the panel points.

The supporting cars under the towers are 60 ft long and consist briefly of two heavy girders, 4 ft. deep, thoroughly cross braced, that rest on 16 pairs of wheel-trucks of  $6'-4"$  gage. The actual wheel base is  $47'-4"$ , the extensions beyond tracks on each end being used for brakes.





Art 10. Computation of the Dead Load.

The following computations were made for the purpose of comparing the actual dead load and the assumed dead loads that were used in the computation of stresses. To make it easier to distinguish between the various members, each panel was considered by itself; the weight of each part of each member was computed separately. It was thought that, because of the great similarity in the panels, that the weights of some could be obtained by a ratio between two panels of computed weight. This ratio method was adopted in several cases. The weight of details was assumed as a per cent of the weight of the main members.





## Head Load.

## Weight of One Truss.

Member	Composition	Wgt. per ft.	Length	Weight	Total
L <sub>0</sub> U <sub>1</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 12 x 20.5	20.5	26	1060	
L <sub>0</sub> L <sub>1</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> "	"	22	900	
	Details 25%			500	
Panel #2.				2,460	2,500
U <sub>1</sub> L <sub>1</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 12 x 20.5	20.5	18	740	
U <sub>1</sub> U <sub>2</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> "	"	21.5	880	
U <sub>2</sub> L <sub>1</sub>	4 L <sub>s</sub> 5 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{1}{2}$	13.6	30	1,630	
L <sub>1</sub> L <sub>2</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 12 x 25	25.	21.5	1080	
	Details 25%			<sup>+330</sup> 1,080	5,400
Panel # <sup>444</sup> 5	2 L <sub>s</sub> 12 x 20.5	20.5	27.5	1,130	
U <sub>4</sub> U <sub>5</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15 x 33	33.	22.	1,450	
	1 c. pl. 19 x $\frac{1}{2}$	32.3	22.	710	
U <sub>5</sub> L <sub>4</sub>	4 L <sub>s</sub> 5 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{7}{16}$	12.	36.5	1,750	
L <sub>4</sub> L <sub>5</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15 x 45	45	22.	1,980	
	1 c. pl. 19 x $\frac{1}{2}$	32.3	22	710	
	Details 25%			<sup>+730</sup> 1,930	
				9,660	9,700
By ratio		#2 to #5			
Panel	#3				6,800
"	#4				8,300
"	#6				11,200



## Panel #7

U <sub>6</sub> L <sub>6</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 12 x 20.5	20.5	42.5	1,740	
U <sub>6</sub> L <sub>7</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15 x 40	40.	22	1,760	
	1 c.pl. 19 x $\frac{5}{8}$	40.4	22	880	
U <sub>7</sub> L <sub>6</sub>	4 L <sub>s</sub> 5 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{3}{8}$	10.4	50.	2080	
	Details 25%			6460 1,615	8,100
#8 U <sub>7</sub> L <sub>8</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15 x 50	50	22.7	2,270	
	1 c.pl. 19 x $\frac{1}{2}$	37.3		730	
U <sub>7</sub> L <sub>8</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 12 x 30	30	51	3,060	
L <sub>7b</sub> L <sub>8</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15 x 50	50	17.5	1,750	
	1 c.pl. 19 x $\frac{5}{8}$	40.4	17.5	710	
	Details 25%			8520 2,130	10,600
#12 U <sub>11</sub> U <sub>12</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15 x 40	40.	22.7	1,810	
U <sub>11</sub> L <sub>11</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 12 x 20.5	20.5	42.	1,720	
U <sub>12</sub> L <sub>11</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 12 x 30	30	48	2,890	
L <sub>11</sub> L <sub>12</sub>	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15 x 40	40	22.7	1,810	
	1 c.pl. 19 x $\frac{5}{8}$	40.4	22.7	920	
	Details 25%			9,150 2,290	11,400
	By ratio				
Panel #9					11,500
	10				11,500
	11				11,500
	13				11,800
	14				13,700
	15				15,500





## Panel #16 Roller Tower -

U <sub>15</sub> L <sub>15</sub>	2 Ls 15 x 40	40	51	4,080	
U <sub>15</sub> U <sub>16</sub>	2 Ls 15 x 50	50	43.5	4,350	
	2 side p/s $12 \times \frac{7}{16}$	17.9	42	1,500	
	1 c. pl. $19 \times \frac{3}{8}$	24.3	43.5	1,050	
U <sub>16</sub> L <sub>15</sub>	2 Ls 12 x 30	30	50	3,000	
L <sub>16</sub> U <sub>15</sub>	2 Ls 12 x 25	25	50	2,500	
L <sub>15</sub> L <sub>16</sub>	1 Pl 20 x $\frac{5}{8}$	42.5	24	1,020	
Box g. order	2 Pl. 60 x $\frac{7}{8}$	102	27	5,500	
	2 Ls 6 x 6 x $\frac{5}{8}$	24.2	27	1,310	
	2 Ls 6 x 4 x $\frac{5}{8}$	20	27	1,080	
	1 Pl. 24 x $1 \frac{3}{4}$	142.8	27	3,860	
	2 Ls 15 x 50	50	23	2,300	
	2 Pl. 15 x $\frac{9}{16}$	28.7	24	1,380	
	Details 20 %			350.90	42,100
#1. U <sub>16</sub> L <sub>16</sub>	2 Ls 15 x 40	40	51	4,080	
U <sub>16</sub> U <sub>17</sub>	2 Ls 15 x 50	50	20.8	2,080	
	2 p/s. $12 \times \frac{5}{16}$	12.7	20.8	530	
	1 c. pl. $19 \times \frac{7}{16}$	28.3	20.8	590	
U <sub>17</sub> L <sub>17</sub>	2 Ls 12 x 20.5	20.5	23.	940	
U <sub>16</sub> L <sub>17</sub>	4 Ls $5 \times 3 \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{7}{16}$	12.	48	2,300	
L <sub>16</sub> L <sub>17</sub>	2 Ls 15 x 45	45	22	1,980	
	2 sp. 12 x $\frac{7}{16}$	17.8	22	790	
	1 c. pl. $19 \times \frac{5}{8}$	40.4	22	890	
	Details 25 %			14,180	17,700
				3,540	
				17,720	
					209,300



Panel #18

Brought up

209,300

L <sub>17</sub> L <sub>18</sub>	2 Ls 15 x 45	45	21.5	1,930
	2 pl. 12 x $\frac{5}{16}$	12.7	21.5	550
	1 cpl. 19 x $\frac{5}{8}$	40.4	21.5	870
L <sub>18</sub> U <sub>17</sub>	4 Ls 5 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{1}{2}$	13.6	43.	2,340
L <sub>18</sub> U <sub>18</sub>	2 Ls 12 x 20.5	20.5	35.5	1,450
U <sub>17</sub> U <sub>18</sub>	2 Ls 15 x 50	50	21.	2,100
	1 pl. 19 x $\frac{1}{2}$	32.3	21	680

9,920  
2,500

Details 25%

12,400

#21. L <sub>20</sub> L <sub>21</sub>	2 Ls 15 x 33	33	21	1,390
	1 cpl. 19 x $\frac{9}{16}$	36.3	21	760
L <sub>21</sub> U <sub>20</sub>	4 Ls 5 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{1}{2}$	13.6	32.5	1,720
L <sub>21</sub> U <sub>21</sub>	2 Ls 12 x 20.5	20.5	23.5	970
U <sub>20</sub> U <sub>21</sub>	2 Ls 12 x 25	25	21.	1,050
	25. p/s. 9 x $\frac{7}{16}$	13.4	21.	560

6,450  
1,610

Details 25%

8,100

By ratio

Panel #19

10,900

" 20

9,500

" 22

7,300

" 23

5,000

" 24

2,500

Total for One truss 765,000.





## Top Lateral System.

## Continuous Strut

4 Ls  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{16}$  5.0 # 476' 9500. 9500

## Top Laterals

8 Ls	$3 \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{16}$	5.6	33'	1,480	
8 Ls	$3 \times 3 \times \frac{3}{8}$	7.2		1,900	
16 Ls	$4 \times 3 \times \frac{7}{16}$	9.8		5,180	
12 Ls	$3 \times 3 \times \frac{5}{16}$	6.1		2,420	
6 Ls	$4 \times 3 \times \frac{3}{8}$	8.5		1,680	
16 Ls	$4 \times 3 \times \frac{1}{2}$	11.1		5,860	
4 Ls	$4 \times 3 \times \frac{5}{16}$	7.7		950	19,170

## Intermediate Struts.

84 Ls  $3 \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{16}$  5.6 23.5' 11,050 11,050

## End Struts

8 Ls  $6 \times 4 \times \frac{3}{8}$  12.3 23.5 7,310

2 Ls  $4 \times 4 \times \frac{5}{16}$  8.2 41. 670

Details 18% 530 2,810

Total - Top Laterals

42,530

## Sway Bracing.

36 Ls  $3 \times 3 \times \frac{5}{16}$  6.1 # total 934' 5,700

8 Ls  $6 \times 4 \times \frac{5}{8}$  20. " 188. 3,760

3 Ls  $3 \times 3 \times \frac{5}{16}$  6.1 " 39. 640

8 Ls  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{16}$  5. " 58. 290

8 Ls  $6 \times 4 \times \frac{5}{8}$  20. " 187. 3,740

13,730  
 Top Lat. + Sway Br = 56,260



Brought forward 56,260

## Floor Beams (20)

2 Ls	6x4x $\frac{1}{2}$	16.2 <sup>#</sup>	23.4 <sup>#</sup>	760
4 Ls	3x3x $\frac{5}{16}$	6.1	7.6	190
2 Ls	3x3x $\frac{5}{16}$	6.1	6.2	80
8 Ls	5x3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{3}{8}$	10.4	8.8	730
2 Ls	6x4x $\frac{7}{16}$	14.3	23.4	670

Details 15%

360

20 Fl. B. @

2,790

55,800

## 4 Special Fl. B.

2 Ls	6x4x $\frac{1}{2}$	16.2	23.4	760
4 Ls	6x4x $\frac{3}{8}$	12.3	23.2	1,150
4 Ls	5x3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{3}{8}$	13.6	6.1	330
8 Ls	5x3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{3}{8}$	10.4	8.2	680
4 Ls	3x3x $\frac{5}{16}$	6.2	7.3	180

Details 15%

460

4 Fl. B @

3,560

14,240

## Hangers (48.)

4 Ls	5x3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x $\frac{1}{2}$	13.6 <sup>#</sup>	7.2 <sup>#</sup>	390
2 Ls	4x4x $\frac{5}{16}$	8.2	8.5	140
4 Ls	3x3x $\frac{5}{16}$	6.1	6.5	160

Details 15%

100

48 Hangers @

990 =

37,900Total Carried forward  
(exclusive of truss.)

164,200





For both trusses 164,200

## Stringers (44)

2 Ls	$5 \times 3 \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{9}{16}$	15.2 #	22.6	690	
2 Ls	"	15.2	21.8	670	
1 pl.	$32 \times \frac{3}{8}$	40.8	22.6	930	
4 Ls	$5 \times 3 \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{8}$	10.4	2.4	100	
40 St. @				2,390	= 95,600
4 specials - @				2,000	= 8,000
I " @				670	= 1,340
2 End Stringers					
4 Ls	$6 \times 4 \times \frac{3}{8}$	12.3 #	25	1230	
1 pl.	$48 \times \frac{3}{8}$	61.2	26.7	1630	
2 E. S. @				2860	5,720

## Stringer Bracing.

30 Ls	$4 \times 4 \times \frac{5}{16}$	8.2 #	13.2	3,250
8 Ls	"	"	12.0	750
30 Ls	"	"	13.8	3,400
22 Ls	"	"	13.3	2,400
6 Ls	"	"	11.4	560

Details 15% 1550 11,910

Total for both trusses 286,770  
or carried by one truss 143,380

## Addenda (One truss)

60 # rails -	$\frac{578.5}{3}$ (on stringer)	10,370
80 # "	" (conductors)	13,800
Extra - one truss		167,550



Extras.

167,550

Girder under Fixed Tower

8,590

Outside Bracing in Towers-

R.T.

1 pl.  $14\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{16}$  15.4 # 52' 8002 Ls  $6 \times 4 \times \frac{3}{8}$  12.3 53 1,5602 Ls  $3 \times 3 \times \frac{5}{16}$  6.1 46.5 570

Details 15%

440

3,370

1 pl.  $23 \times \frac{3}{8}$  29.2 23.2 6802 Ls  $15 \times 33$  33. 23.9' 1,580

Details 15%

340

2600

one tr. 1,300

Cross Frames

2 Ls  $4 \times 3 \times \frac{5}{16}$  7.2 77.6 x 2 550

Details 10%

50

600

F.T. Outside Bracing. (each side)

1 pl.  $14\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{16}$  15.4 20.4 310

1 pl. " " 25.5 390

2 Ls  $6 \times 4 \times \frac{3}{8}$  12.3 23.2 580

2 Ls " " 26.5 660

2 Ls  $3 \times 3 \times \frac{5}{16}$  6.1 25.2 310

Details 10%

220

2,470

Girder Struts

1 pl.  $23 \times \frac{3}{8}$  29.2 23.3 6802 Ls  $15 \times 33$  33 23.9 1,5801 L  $15 \times 40$  40 10.7 450

Details 15%

410

3,120 one tr. 1,560

185,440





185,440

Hand Railing and Walk

Stringers

12,400

Continuous Strut (between posts) 6,810

Total load due to 204,650weight of bridge, on each  
truss,

Weight of truss

265,000Total weight carried by } 469,650 lb.  
each trussArt. 11. Comparison with Assumed  
Dead Loads.

The assumed dead loads per truss were as follows: at  $L_0$  and  $L_{24}$  8,000;  $L_1 - 2$  and  $L_{23} - 24$  12,000;  $L_3 - 4 - 5$  and  $L_{19} - 20 - 21$  16,000;  $L_6$  and  $L_8$  to 14,  $L_{17}$  and  $L_{18}$  20,000; at  $L_{7a}$  and  $L_{7b}$  30,000;  $L_{15}$  and  $L_{16}$  35,000 lb. The total of the assumed loading is 490,000 while the total of the computed weight is 469,650 lb., a difference of 20,350 lb. in favor of the assumed loading which goes to increase the factor of safety.



## Art. 12. The Conditions for Maximum and minimum stresses.

The maximum stress in any member is the sum of the dead, live and wind stresses. The wind load is considered only when it exceeds 30% of the dead plus the live loads, and then it is reduced  $\frac{1}{3}$  as the allowable wind stress is 150% of the allowable dead and live load stresses.

The wind load is assumed as twenty lb. per sq. ft. of exposed surface of both trusses. The area of the stringers is counted only once as they are pretty close together. There is also a wind load assumed as 6,000 lb. acting on the trolley, which is treated as a live load.

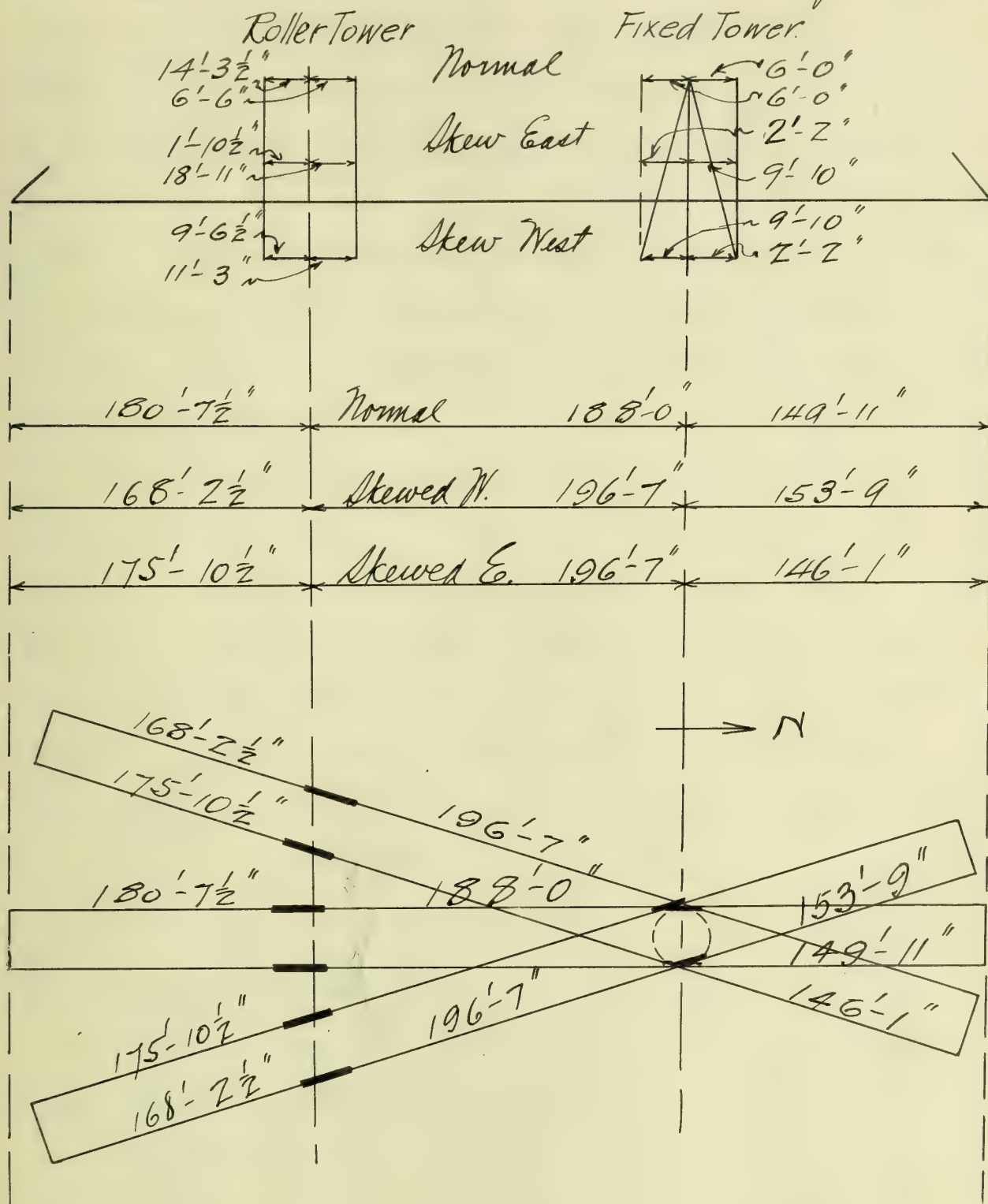
The minimum stresses will be the dead load stresses alone or the sum of dead, live and wind loads as above indicated.

The position of the bridge considerably affects the intensity of the stresses. The following diagram shows





the changes in the lengths of the arms and span caused by moving from the normal to the maximum skewed position.



Furnace Arm. Center Span. Rock Arm.

Fig. 11.

See also Fig. 1.



### Art. 13. The Dead Load Stresses.

The dead load stresses of the dock arm were calculated by moments. In these computations, the sign of the moment is considered as positive when counter-clockwise. For the stresses, plus indicates compression and minus, tension. In taking the moments, the moment arms were scaled directly from the drawings.

A comparison between the stresses as found for dead load and the minimum stresses given on the stress sheet, shows the stresses as here computed to check very closely in most cases and exactly in some.

$-21 \times 8 - 15 L_0 U_1 = 0$	$L_0 U_1 = -11.2$
$+17 L_0 L_1 - 21 \times 8 = 0$	$L_0 L_1 = +9.5$
$+42 \times 8 - 63 U_1 L_1 = 0$	$U_1 L_1 = +5.3$
$-18 U_1 U_2 - 21 \times 8 = 0$	$U_1 U_2 = -9.3$
$+20.5 L_1 L_2 - 43 \times 8 - 21 \times 12 = 0$	$L_1 L_2 = +28.8$
$+110 L_1 U_2 + 160 \times 12 + 138 \times 8 = 0$	$L_1 U_2 = -27.4$
$-181 U_2 L_2 + 160 \times 12 + 138 \times 8 = 0$	$U_2 L_2 = +16.7$
$-20.5 U_2 U_3 - 21 \times 12 - 43 \times 8 = 0$	$U_2 U_3 = -29.$
$+23 L_2 L_3 - 21 \times 12 - 43 \times 12 - 64 \times 8 = 0$	$L_2 L_3 = +55.5$

(Note - The kip as used here represents 1,000 lb.)





$$\begin{aligned}
-202 U_3 L_3 + 138 \times 8 + 160 \times 12 + 181 \times 12 &= 0 & U_3 L_3 &= +25.8 \\
+94 U_4 L_3 + 113 \times 16 + (92+72) 12 + 50 \times 8 &= 0 & U_4 L_3 &= -44.5 \\
-23 U_3 U_4 - (21+43) 12 - 64 \times 8 &= 0 & U_3 U_4 &= -56. \\
+27.5 L_3 L_4 - 21 \times 16 - (43+64) 12 - 85 \times 8 &= 0 & L_3 L_4 &= +84. \\
-134 U_4 L_4 + 114 \times 16 + (92+72) 12 + 50 \times 8 &= 0 & U_4 L_4 &= +31. \\
-27 U_4 U_5 - 21 \times 16 - (43+64) 12 - 85 \times 8 &= 0 & U_4 U_5 &= -85.3 \\
+83 L_4 U_5 + (90+69) 16 + (48+27) 12 + 8 \times 7 &= 0 & L_4 U_5 &= -42. \\
+33 L_4 L_5 - (21+43) 16 - (64+85) 12 - 106 \times 8 &= 0 & L_4 L_5 &= +111.1 \\
-111 U_5 L_5 + (90+69) 16 + (48+27) 12 + 7 \times 8 &= 0 & U_4 L_5 &= +31.4 \\
-33.5 U_5 L_6 - (21+43) 16 - (64+85) 12 - 106 \times 8 &= 0 & U_5 U_6 &= -111.1 \\
+78 L_5 U_6 + (82+61+40) 16 + (18-4) 12 - 25 \times 8 &= 0 & L_5 U_6 &= -34.8 \\
+41 L_5 L_6 - (21+43+64) 16 + (85+106) 12 + 127 \times 8 &= 0 & L_5 L_6 &= +131. \\
-106 U_6 L_6 + (82+61+40) 16 + (18-4) 12 - 25 \times 8 &= 0 & U_6 L_6 &= +25.6 \\
-42 U_6 U_7 - (21+43+64) 16 + (85+106) 12 + 127 \times 8 &= 0 & U_6 U_7 &= -128. \\
+50 L_6 L_7a - 21 \times 20 - (43+64+85) 16 - (106+127) 12 \\
- 140 \times 8 &= 0 & L_6 L_7a &= +150. \\
+87 L_6 L_7 + 86 \times 20 + (65+44+22) 16 + 1 \times 12 \\
- 70 \times 12 - 41 \times 8 &= 0 & L_6 U_7 &= -37.5
\end{aligned}$$

As a typical computation of the dead load stresses, the member  $U_{10}-U_{11}-U_{12}$  at the middle of the center span, will be considered. The condition for maximum dead load stress is, that the bridge be in the normal position.

To treat the loads more easily, they will be divided into the three groups



on the two arms and span: respectively and the distance of the center of gravity of each group, from the extreme north end determined. For the dock arm, the equation of moments about the extreme end is as follows: (the unit of loads is 1,000 lb. and the unit distance is one panel length of  $21'-5"$ )  $K = \text{Kip} = 1,000 \text{ lb.}$

$0 \times 8K + 1 \times 12 + 2 \times 12 + (3+4+5)16 + 6 \times 20 + 6.75 \times 30 = x_p \times 130K$ , 130 being the sum of the loads on the arm. The total moment thus found is 550 K.p., which, when divided by 130 K, gives 4.24 p or  $4.24 \times 21'-5" = 91'$  from the end to the center of gravity of loads on the dock arm.

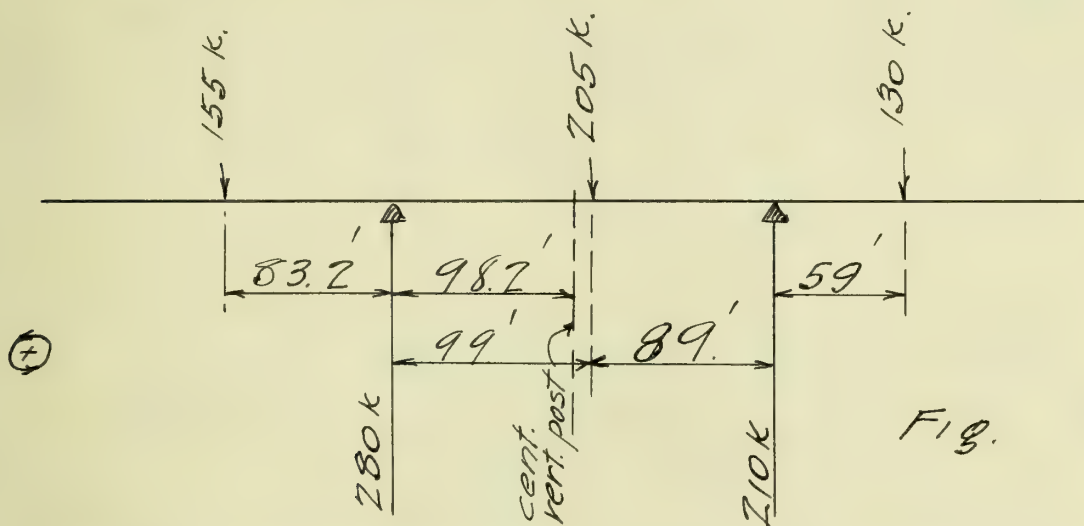
For the center span, with the center of moments under the first load considered (near the fixed tower) which is 156 ft. from the end, the equation is as follows:  $0 \times 30K + (1+2+3+4+5+6+7)20 + 8 \times 35 = x_p \times 205K = 840K$

$x_p$  is then  $\frac{840K}{205K} = 4.1$  and since each panel is  $22'-8\frac{1}{4}"$ ,  $4.1p = 93'-0"$  from the center of moments or  $93 + 156 = 249 \text{ ft.}$  from the extreme <sup>north</sup> end of the bridge.





For the furnace arm, with the center of moments under first load to left of the roller tower (352.2' from end) the equation is  $0 \times 35 + (1+2) 20 + (3+4+5) 16 + (7+8) 12 + 9 \times 8 = 155 \times p_k = 514 k$ , which upon being solved gives 69' from the center of moments or  $69 + 352.2 = 421.2'$  from the extreme north end. The loads may then be concentrated as follows:



The computation of the reactions is as follows - center of moments at right reaction -  $+(89+99+83.2) \times 155 - (89+99) R_1 + 89 \times 205 - 59 \times 130 = 0$  From which  $R_1$  is found to be 280 k;  $R_2$  is then  $490 - 280 = 210 k$ .

Note - The point marked cent. vert. post is the post at the center of the member being considered,  $U_{10} - U_{11} - U_{12}$ .



The bending moment at the center vertical post is equal to the resisting moment in the member or the stress in the member times the depth of the truss at that point. The bending moment is  $+ (98.2 + 83.2) \times 155 - 98.2 \times 280 - 51.2 \times 115$  which equals  $-42.5 S$ . Solving,  $S$  is found to be  $-152$  kips or  $152,000$  lb. tension. The value  $115$  used in the equation is the sum of <sup>on center span</sup> loads to left of vertical post and  $51.2'$  is the distance to center of gravity.

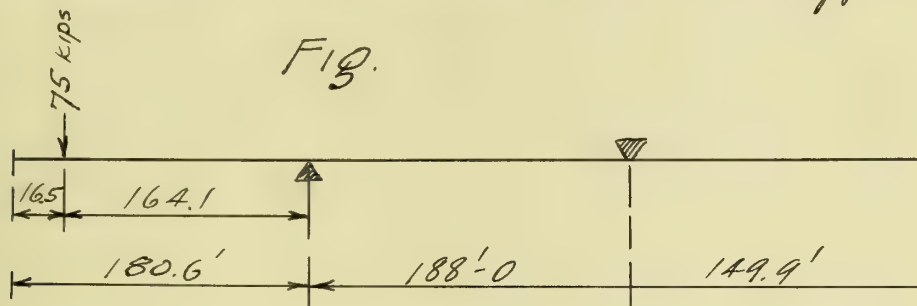
#### Art. 14. The Live Load Stresses.

The live load consists of the trolley which is supported on four axles, seven feet apart. The actual weight of the trolley when fully loaded, is between fifty and sixty tons, but it is assumed to weigh seventy-five tons, which means that  $75,000$  lb. is to be carried by each truss or  $18,750$  lb. per wheel. The trolley can travel to a point six feet from either end of the bridge. For the maximum live load stress





in the upper chord, the trolley must be at the end of the longest cantilever arm, when the bridge is in normal position. The member  $U_{10}-U_{11}-U_{12}$  will be considered and the computation of the live load stress will be shown as typical.



By taking moments about the right support the equation is  $-188 R_1 + 352.1 \times 75 \text{ k} = 0$   
 From which  $R_1 = +141. \text{ k}$  and  
 since the load is  $75 \text{ k}$ ,  $R_2 = 75 - 141 = -66 \text{ k/ps}$ .  
 The distance  $16.5 \text{ ft.}$  is the distance from the end of the bridge to center of gravity of the trolley.

The bending moment at the center vertical post is  $+262.3 \times 75 - 98.2 \times 141$  which equals  $42.5 \text{ S}$ , or  $+6,300, = -42.5 \text{ S}$ ;  
 $S$  is therefore  $-\frac{6,300,000}{42.5} = -148 \text{ k}$  or  $148,000 \text{ lb. tension}$ .



Part III.

Investigation of Members.



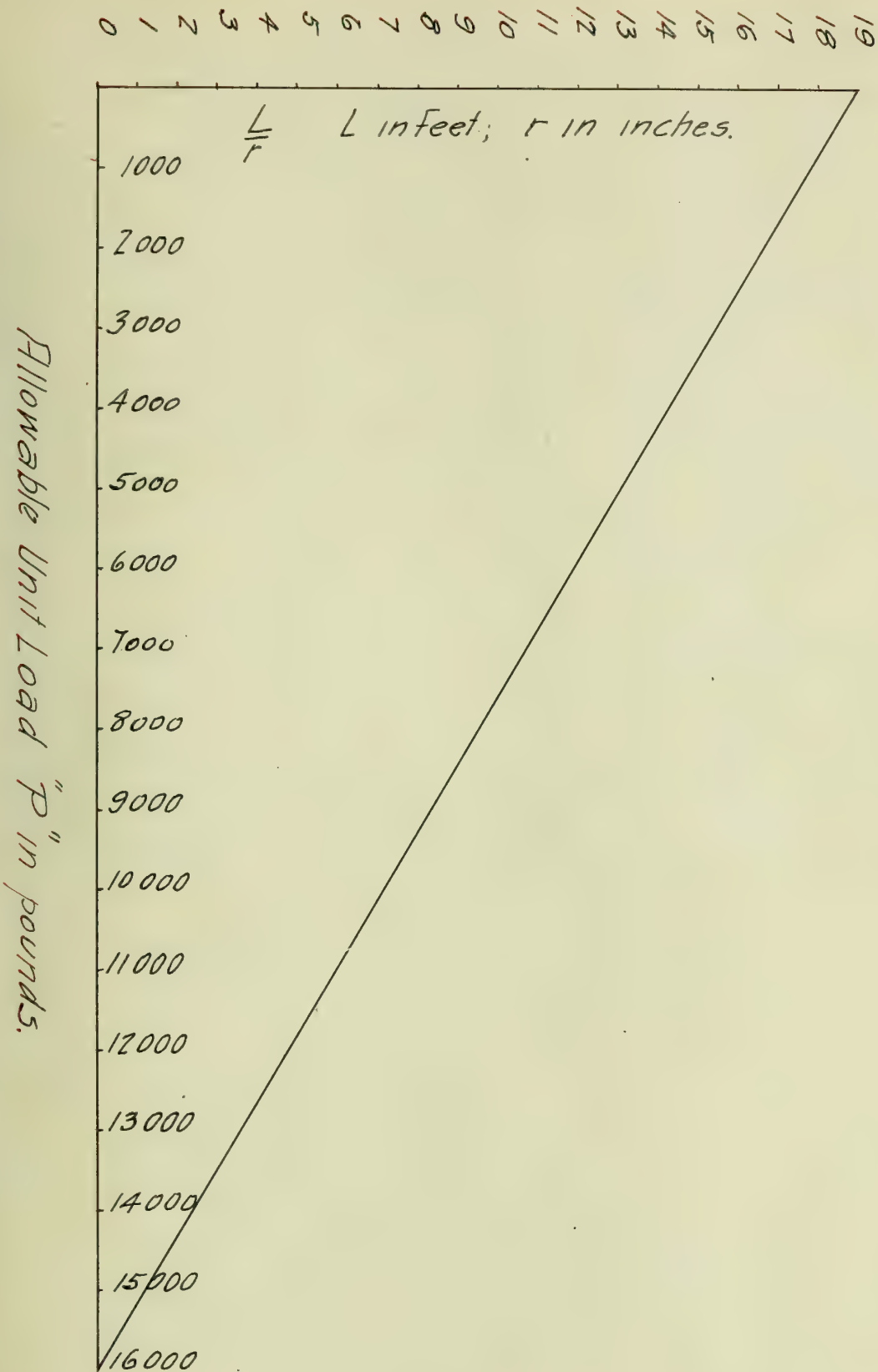


In the investigation of members of the truss, the stresses used in the computations are those computed by the designers from the assumed loadings. The allowable unit stress in tension is 16,000 lbs per sq. in. and that in compression is  $16,000 - 70 \frac{L}{r}$ . For the purpose of simplifying the computations, a curve will be drawn for the equation  $P = 16,000 - 70 \frac{L}{r}$ , from which the values of  $P$  for any value of  $\frac{L}{r}$  may be taken directly; see Pl. I.

The values of rivets will be taken according to the specifications for the bridge, as 7,500 lb. per sq. in. for field, 9,000 for shop rivets in shear, and 15,000 and 18,000 <sup>lb. per sq. in.</sup> for field and shop rivets in bearing, respectively. The shearing and bearing values will be given for reference in Table I.



PLATE I.  
 CURVE SHOWING VALUES OF  $P = 16,000 - 840 \frac{L}{r}$ .



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Table I.  
Rivet Values.

Bearing	$\frac{3}{4}$ " rivet.		$\frac{7}{8}$ " rivet.	
	Shop	Field.	Shop.	Field.
in				
$\frac{3}{8}$ " plate	5,070	4,730	5,920	4,940
$\frac{1}{16}$	5,900	4,910	6,880	5,740
$\frac{1}{2}$	6,750	5,620	7,880	6,570
$\frac{9}{16}$	7,600	6,340	8,800	7,340
$\frac{5}{8}$	8,400	7,000	9,850	8,210
$\frac{11}{16}$	9,300	7,750	10,800	9,000
$\frac{3}{4}$	10,100	8,400	11,800	9,850
Shear.	3,980	3,320	5,400	4,500



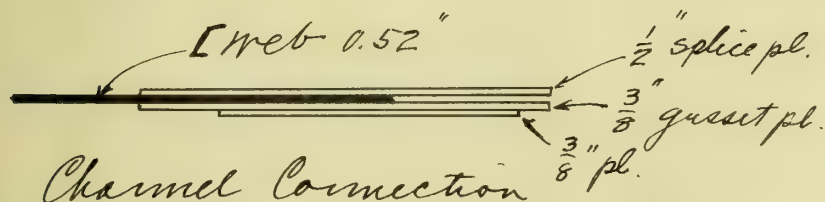
## Art. 15. Tension Members - Top Chord.

A few of the segments of the top chord will be worked out in full and results for the remainder tabulated.



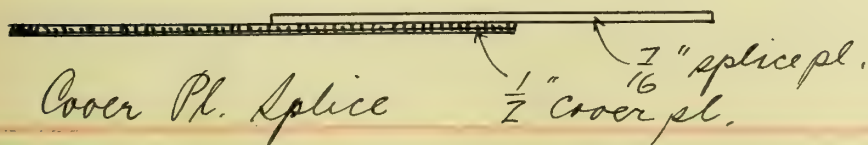
Fig. 12.

U<sub>9</sub>-U<sub>10</sub> is composed of 2 L<sub>5</sub> 15" x 40 lb. and 1 cover plate 19" x  $\frac{1}{2}$ ", the under side being laced. The total stress carried is 325,000 lb. which requires an area of  $\frac{325,000}{16,000} = 20.3$  sq". The gross areas are, Cover plate 9.5 sq" and L<sub>5</sub> 23.52 sq". In the cover plate there are 4  $\frac{3}{4}$ " rivets and in the L<sub>5</sub> there are 6 -  $\frac{7}{8}$ " rivets in the webs and 2  $\frac{3}{4}$ " rivets in the flanges in one section, which gives net sections as follows - cover plate 7.87 sq" and L<sub>5</sub> 19.53 sq" or a total for the member of 27.4 sq". The efficiency is therefore  $\frac{27.4}{20.3} = 135\%$ .



Channel Connection

Fig. 13.



Cover Pl. Splice





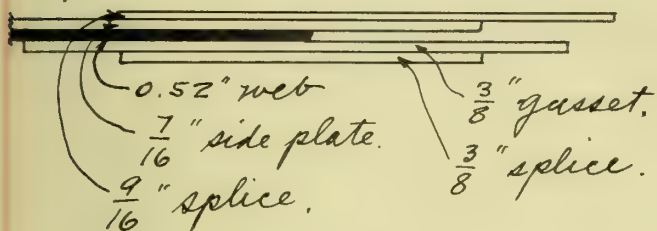
As shown in Fig. 13, the cover-plate is spliced by a  $\frac{7}{16}$ " plate. There are 20  $\frac{3}{4}$ " shop rivets in the connection. The stress carried by the cover-plate is  $\frac{7.87}{27.4} \times 325,000 = 93,500$  lb. which would require  $\frac{93,500}{3,980} = 24$  rivets. The efficiency is  $\frac{20}{24} = 83\%$ . Each of the channels is connected to a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " plate by 15  $\frac{7}{8}$ " shop rivets in its web. The stress carried by each channel and plate is  $\frac{325,000 - 93,500}{2} = 115,750$  lb. which is divided between them. The plate carries  $\frac{0.50}{0.50 + 0.52} \times 115,750 = 56,800$  lb. which would require  $\frac{56,800}{5,400} = 11$   $\frac{7}{8}$ " shop rivets. The efficiency is therefore  $\frac{15}{11} = 136\%$ .

U14 - U15 - U16. This member has a similar composition with the addition of two side plates to the composition of the member U9 - U10. <sup>See Fig. 12.</sup> The maximum stress carried is 482,000 lb. which requires an area of  $\frac{482,000}{16,000} = 30.1$  sq. in. The gross area of the cover plate is 7.13 sq. in. and the net is 5.91 sq. in. The gross area of the I<sup>s</sup> is 29.42 sq. in. while the net is 25.37 sq. in. and the net area of the two side plates ( $12 \times \frac{7}{16}$ ) is 7.88 sq. in.



giving a total net area of  $39.16$  in<sup>2</sup> and an efficiency of  $\frac{39.16}{30.1} = 130\%$ .

The cover plate stress of  $\frac{5.91}{39.16} \times 482,000$  or  $72,300$  lb is transferred by  $21 \frac{3}{4}$  "shop rivets to a  $\frac{1}{2}$  " splice plate. The required number of  $\frac{3}{4}$  "shop rivets is  $\frac{72,300}{5,070} = 15$  and the efficiency is  $\frac{21}{15} = 140\%$ .



Channel Connection  
Fig. 14.

The connection with the next segment is shown in Fig. 14 and consists of the following members or parts on each side:

the channel whose web is  $0.52$  " thick, the side plate  $\frac{7}{16}$  " thick, a  $\frac{9}{16}$  " splice plate outside and a  $\frac{3}{8}$  " splice on the inside besides the  $\frac{3}{8}$  " gusset. The stress carried by the half shown, is  $\frac{482,000 - 72,300}{2} = 204,850$  lb which is divided up as follows: The total thickness is  $2.28$  " and therefore the  $\frac{9}{16}$  " splice carries  $\frac{0.56}{2.28} \times 204,850 = 50,400$  lb. the  $\frac{3}{8}$  " gusset and  $\frac{3}{8}$  " splice each carry  $\frac{0.38}{2.28} \times 204,850 = 34,200$  lb.

The  $\frac{9}{16}$  " splice-plate carries  $50,400$  lb. by means of  $17 \frac{7}{8}$  "shop rivets, while the required





number is only  $\frac{50,400}{5,400} = 10$ , being governed by the shearing value. The  $\frac{3}{8}$ " splice-plate has 9  $\frac{7}{8}$ " shop rivets to carry its stress 34,200 lb.; the required number is  $\frac{34,200}{5,400} = 7$ . The  $\frac{3}{8}$ " gusset plate carries its own load of 34,200 lb. in addition to that of the  $\frac{3}{8}$ " splice plate, 34,200 lb. or 68,400 in all, by means of 17 rivets. The 9 rivets thru the  $\frac{3}{8}$ " splice also go thru the  $\frac{3}{8}$ " gusset, but 7 of them are required for the splice which leaves a balance of 10 for the  $\frac{3}{8}$ " gusset-plate. The required number is  $\frac{68,400}{5,400} = 12$  and consequently the efficiency is  $\frac{10}{12} = 83\%$ .

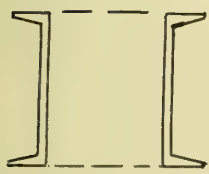


FIG. 15.

End Post L.L.. This post is composed of 2  $\angle$ s 12" x 25 lb. laced on both top and bottom. The maximum direct stress that it carries is 48,000 lb. which would require an area of  $\frac{48,000}{16,000} = 3.0$  sq. in. The net area is 9.96 sq. in. There is however a considerable bending moment for this member to carry. The 6,000 lb. wind load is partly transferred to the end and divided between



the trusses. The post is 26' long; the panel 20.8' and the 6,000 lb load at a point 16.5' from the end. The part of the load causing a bending moment is then  $\frac{20.8 - 16.5}{2} \times \frac{6,000}{2} = 620$ , say 650 lb. The connection of the portal is 14' from the lower end of the post and the bending moment is therefore  $650 \times 14 \times 12 = 109,000$ . " Since the member is in tension the formula, for stress due to bending moment, is  $S = \frac{M y_1}{I + \frac{P l^2}{10 E}}$  in which

$M$  = bending moment,  $y_1$  is the distance from neutral axis to extreme fiber,  $P$  = total direct stress, and  $l$  = length in inches. Substituting in this formula  $S$  is found to be:

$$S = \frac{109,000 \times 6}{256.7 + \frac{48,000 \times (316)^2}{10 \times 28,000,000}} = 2,400 \text{ lb. per sq. in.}$$

The direct stress is  $\frac{48,000}{9.96} = 4,820$  lb. per sq. in. so that the total is  $2,400 + 4,820 = 7,220$ . Since the allowable is 16,000 lb. per sq. in., the efficiency is  $\frac{16,000}{7,220} = 221\%$ .

The channels are fastened at the bottom by 7  $\frac{7}{8}$ " field rivets to a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " plate. The stress carried by each channel is  $\frac{48,000}{2} = 24,000$  lb.

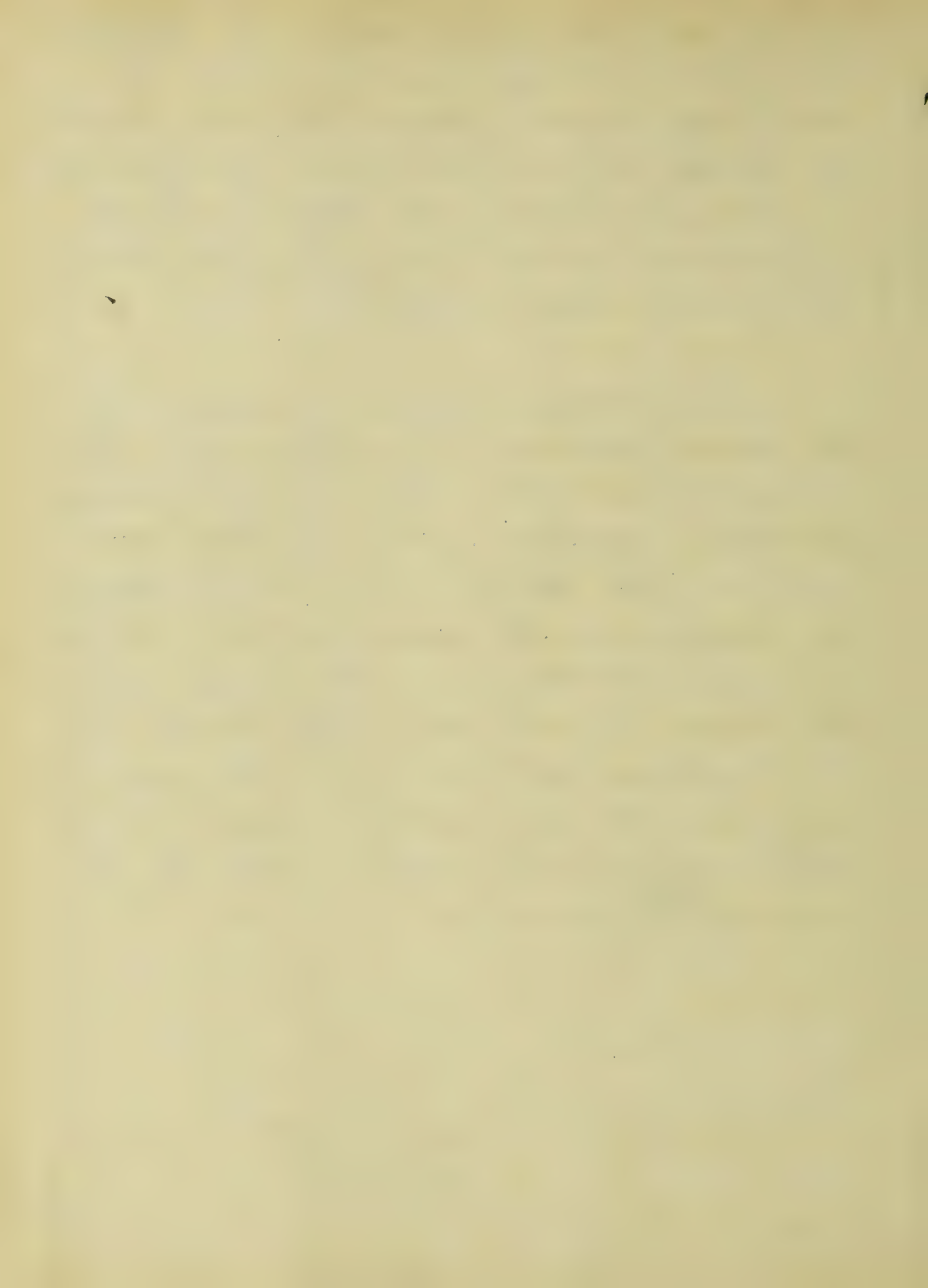




which requires  $\frac{24,000}{3,630} = 7$  rivets; the efficiency of the connection is  $\frac{7}{7} = 100\%$

The efficiency of the connection to the top chord is  $\frac{8}{7} = 114\%$ , since the connection is again governed by the bearing of the  $\frac{7}{8}$ " field rivet in the 0.28" web of the channel, and 8 rivets were used.

The remaining segments of the top chord will be investigated for section area only, as the set of drawings available is not complete and does not contain their details. In order to condense the investigation, the results will be tabulated. The method followed is the same as heretofore used, viz. the total stress divided by the allowable unit stress gives the required area and the given net section divided by the required net section gives the efficiency of the member.



## Top Chord Segments.

Mark	Stress	Section	Area Net.	Allowable Unit Stress	Required Net Area	Efficiency of member.
$U_1 U_2$	41,000	2 Ls 12x20.5	10.32	16,000	2.56	402%
$U_2 U_3$	133,000	2 Ls 12x25	12.96	"	8.3	155%
$U_3 U_4$	228,000	2 Ls 15x33	22.7	"	14.25	159.
		1 pl. 19x $\frac{5}{16}$				
$U_4 U_5$	297,000	2 Ls 15x33	25.29	"	18.6	136.
		1 pl. 19x $\frac{1}{2}$				
$U_5 U_6$	330,000	2 Ls 15x40	29.51	"	20.6	143.
		1 pl. 19x $\frac{1}{2}$				
$U_6 U_7$	367,000	2 Ls 15x40	31.56	"	22.9	137.
		1 pl. 19x $\frac{5}{8}$				
$U_7 U_8$	400,000	2 Ls 15x50	34.70	"	25.0	139.
		1 pl. 19x $\frac{1}{2}$				
$U_8 U_9$	362,000	2 Ls 15x50	32.68	"	22.6	144
		1 pl. 19x $\frac{3}{8}$				
$U_{10} U_{11} U_{12}$	308,000	2 Ls 15x40	28.47	"	19.4	146
		1 pl. 19x $\frac{7}{16}$				
$U_{12} U_{13}$	362,000	2 Ls 15x45	32.19	"	22.6	142
		1 pl. 19x $\frac{1}{2}$				
$U_{13} U_{14}$	421,000	2 Ls 15x45	36.4	"	36.3	100.
		2 pls. 12x $\frac{5}{16}$				
		1 pl. 19x $\frac{3}{8}$				
$U_{16} U_{17}$	453,000	2 Ls 15x50	39.95	"	38.3	104.
		2 pls 12x $\frac{5}{16}$				
		1 pl. 19x $\frac{7}{16}$				









## Art. 16. Tension Members - Diagonals.

The method of investigation of the diagonals is the same as that used for the top chord segments. As a typical computation the member  $L_3 U_7$  will be worked out in full.



Like all the other diagonals of the center span, this member is composed of 2  $L_5$

Fig. 16.  $12 \times 30$  lb. laced on both sides.

It is subject to a reversal of stress and consequently must be examined in both tension and compression. The stresses are  $+63,000$  lb. and  $-108,000$  lb. The member is  $51'$  long and its radius of gyration is  $4.28''$  which gives a value of  $6,800$  lb. from the curve on Pl. I. The required area is  $\frac{63,000}{16,800} = 9.27 \text{ in}^2$  for compression and since the gross area is  $17.64 \text{ in}^2$  the efficiency in compression is  $\frac{17.64}{9.27} = 190\%$ . The tensile stress  $108,000$  lb. requires a net area of  $\frac{108,000}{16,000} = 6.75 \text{ in}^2$ ; the given net area is  $14.58 \text{ in}^2$  and the efficiency in tension is therefore,  $\frac{14.58}{6.75} = 216\%$ .

The stress to be used in the design of rivets and splices, according to the





specifications is  $108,000 + \frac{3}{4}(63,000) = 155,200$  lb. or 77,600 lb. for each Channel. The connection is made by 18  $\frac{7}{8}$ " field rivets directly thru the web of the channel and a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " gusset-plate. The required number is governed by the bearing in a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " plate and is  $\frac{77,600}{4,940} = 16$ , giving an efficiency of  $\frac{18}{16} = 113\%$ .

$L_{14}L_{15}$  - This is another diagonal that is subjected to a reversal of stress, the stresses being  $-121,000$  and  $+31,000$  lb. The member is 51.' long and has a radius of gyration of 4.78, consequently, the value of  $P$  is 6,800 lb. and the required area for compression is  $\frac{31,000}{6,800} = 4.56$  sq". The gross area is 17.64 sq" and the efficiency in compression, therefore, is  $\frac{17.64}{4.56} = 386\%$ . In tension, the required area is  $\frac{121,000}{16,000} = 7.55$  sq" and the given net area is 15.60 sq" or an efficiency of  $\frac{15.60}{7.55} = 207\%$  for the member.

The connection to each chord is made by 32  $\frac{7}{8}$ " field rivets to  $\frac{3}{8}$ " gusset plates. The stress for the computation of rivets is  $121,000 + \frac{3}{4}(31,000)$  or 144,200 lb. The required number of rivets is  $\frac{144,200}{4,940} = 30$  and the efficiency is  $\frac{32}{30} = 107\%$ .



L<sub>16</sub> U<sub>15</sub> - This member is the cross-bracing of the roller tower<sup>and</sup>, is strictly a tension member. It is composed of 2 L<sup>s</sup> 12" x 75 lb. with a net area of 12.36 "²". The maximum stress computed for this member is 110,000 lb. which requires an area of  $\frac{110,000}{16,000} = 6.9$  "²" net. The efficiency is, therefore,  $\frac{12.36}{6.9} = 179\%$ .

The connections<sup>6.9</sup> are made by 16  $\frac{7}{8}$ " field rivets to  $\frac{3}{8}$ " gusset plates on the chord segments. The required number is governed by the bearing value of a  $\frac{7}{8}$ " field rivet on a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " plate and is  $\frac{110,000}{4,940} = 22$ . The efficiency of the connection is then,  $\frac{16}{22} = 73\%$ .

The investigation of the remaining diagonals will be confined to an examination of the sectional areas, for the reasons given on p. 52, under the subject of top chord segments. The method used is the same as was used in that article and in this article.





## Diagonals.

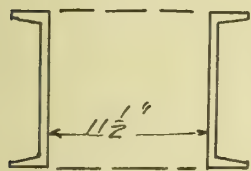
Mark	Stress	Section	Net Area	Allowable Unit Stress	Required Area	Efficiency.
L <sub>1</sub> U <sub>2</sub>	133,000	4L <sub>s</sub> 5 × 3½ × ½	14.0	16,000	8.3	168. %
L <sub>2</sub> U <sub>3</sub>	146,000	4L <sub>s</sub> 5 × 3½ × ¾	15.6	"	9.2	170.
L <sub>3</sub> U <sub>4</sub>	135,000	4L <sub>s</sub> 5 × 3½ × ½	14.0	"	8.4	167.
L <sub>4</sub> U <sub>5</sub>	118,000	4L <sub>s</sub> 5 × 3½ × ⅞	12.4	"	7.4	168.
L <sub>5</sub> U <sub>6</sub>	105,000	4L <sub>s</sub> 5 × 3½ × ¾	10.7	"	6.6	162.
L <sub>6</sub> U <sub>7</sub>	107,000	4L <sub>s</sub> 5 × 3½ × ¾	10.7	"	6.7	160.
L <sub>9</sub> U <sub>8</sub>	108,000	2L <sub>s</sub> 12 × 30	15.4	"	6.7	230.
L <sub>10</sub> U <sub>9</sub>	90,000	2L <sub>s</sub> 12 × 30	15.4	"	5.6	275.
L <sub>11</sub> U <sub>12</sub>	114,000	"	"	"	7.2	214.
L <sub>12</sub> U <sub>13</sub>	118,000	"	"	"	7.4	208.
L <sub>13</sub> U <sub>14</sub>	125,000	"	"	"	7.8	198.
L <sub>15</sub> U <sub>16</sub>	138,000	"	"	"	8.7	184.
L <sub>17</sub> U <sub>16</sub>	116,000	4L <sub>s</sub> 5 × 3½ × ⅞	12.4	"	7.3	170.
L <sub>18</sub> U <sub>17</sub>	130,000	4L <sub>s</sub> 5 × 3½ × ½	14.0	"	8.1	175.
L <sub>19</sub> U <sub>18</sub>	137,000	"	"	"	8.6	163.
L <sub>20</sub> U <sub>19</sub>	140,000	"	"	"	8.8	160.
L <sub>21</sub> U <sub>20</sub>	141,000	"	"	"	8.8	160.
L <sub>22</sub> U <sub>21</sub>	147,000	4L <sub>s</sub> 5 × 3½ × ¾	15.6	"	9.2	169.
L <sub>23</sub> U <sub>22</sub>	127,000	4L <sub>s</sub> 5 × 3½ × ⅞	12.4	"	8.0	155.



## Art. 17. Compression Members.

As was stated on p. 44 in a general discussion of the investigation of members, the values for the allowable unit stresses in the compression members, will be taken from the curve  $P = 16,000 - 70 \frac{L}{r}$ , plotted on p. 45. To still further simplify the computations the values of " $r$ ," the radius of gyration were taken from the handbook known as "Godfrey's Tables."

The investigation of a few members will be given in full and the results for the remainder will be tabulated.



L 0 L<sub>1</sub>

The member L 0 L<sub>1</sub> is  $21' - 8 \frac{3}{8}"$  long and is subjected to a com-

pressive strength of 42,000 lb. as a maximum. The two channels composing the member are  $11 \frac{1}{2}"$  b-b which is considerably more than the distance b-b to make the radii of gyration equal, so it is safe to say that the radius about the axis perpendicular to the web of channel, is the least.





From the tables this " $r$ " is found to be 4.61 which makes  $\frac{L}{r} = 4.71$  and  $P = 12,300$  lb. The required area is  $\frac{42,000}{12,300} = 3.41$  "and the efficiency is  $\frac{12,06}{3.41} = 355\%$ . This excessive efficiency is explained by the fact that, <sup>altho</sup> the channels used in this member were the minimum used on the bridge, they were still larger than necessary.

The connection at  $L_1$  is made by a  $\frac{5}{16}$ " plate in which there are 4  $\frac{3}{4}$ " shop rivets, 2  $\frac{3}{4}$ " field <sup>rivets</sup> and 10  $\frac{7}{8}$ " field rivets in the webs of the channels. The bearing on the webs will be the controlling factor for determining the number of rivets. The value of the connection is as follows:  $10 \times \frac{7}{8} \times 0.28 \times 15,000 = 36,800$  lb. for the 10  $\frac{7}{8}$ " rivets and  $4 \times \frac{3}{4} \times 0.31 \times 18,000 + 2 \times \frac{3}{4} \times 0.31 \times 15,000 = 16,700 + 6,970$  or 23,670 lb. for the 6  $\frac{3}{4}$ " rivets, making a total of 60,470 lb. This is amply sufficient as only 42,000 lb. was required. The efficiency of the connection is therefore  $\frac{60,470}{42,000} = 143\%$ . The connection at the other <sup>42,000</sup> end,  $L_0$ , is by 10  $\frac{7}{8}$ " rivets (shop) thru the channel webs and  $\frac{3}{8}$ " plates. The total bearing value of these rivets is  $10 \times \frac{7}{8} \times 0.28 \times 18,000 = 44,100$  lb. or an efficiency of  $\frac{44,100}{42,000} = 105\%$ .





Fig. 16.

L<sub>6</sub> L<sub>7a</sub>

This member is composed of 2 L<sub>s</sub> 15" x 50 lb. and a cover <sup>plate</sup> 19" x  $\frac{1}{2}$ ", which is on the lower side. It is 16'-5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

long, and has a radius of gyration of 5.5" which gives  $\frac{L}{r}$  the value of 30, and  $P = 13,500$  lb. per sq. in. The total stress 375,000 lb. requires  $\frac{375,000}{13,500} = 27.8$ " while the given area is 39.2"; the efficiency is therefore  $\frac{39.2}{27.8} = 141\%$ .

The connection at L<sub>6</sub> is made by 7  $\frac{7}{8}$ " shop rivets in a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " plate on one side and a  $\frac{3}{8}$ " gusset-plate on the other side of each web and 16  $\frac{3}{4}$ " shop rivets in a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " splice plate on the cover plate. The value of the connection is as follows: the cover plate stress is  $\frac{19 \times \frac{1}{2}}{39.2} \times 375,000 = 93,000$  lb. which, if transferred by  $\frac{3}{4}$ " shop rivets would require  $\frac{93,000}{3,980} = 24$ ; the efficiency is, then,  $\frac{16}{24} = 67\%$ .

The stress in the channels is  $375,000 - 93,000 = 282,000$  lb. for which there are 14  $\frac{7}{8}$ " shop rivets and 6  $\frac{7}{8}$ " field rivets all in double shear. Their total value in bearing is  $14 \times \frac{7}{8} \times 0.72 \times 18,000 + 6 \times \frac{7}{8} \times 0.72 \times 15,000 = 158,500 + 56,800 = 215,300$  lb, while the





total required is 282,000 lb. so that the efficiency is  $\frac{215,300}{282,000} = 76\%$ . The connection is apparently <sup>282,000</sup> below the requirements if all the stress is to be transferred by the splice plates. This, however, is not the case, as the ends of the abutting members of the joint are milled, and it is therefore all-right to consider that some of the stress is transferred directly from one member to the other.

The other end is connected directly to the  $\frac{7}{16}$ " webs of the box-girder by 48  $\frac{7}{8}$ " field rivets through the 0.72" Channel-web and the  $\frac{7}{16}$ " girder-web and 30  $\frac{7}{8}$ " field rivets through  $\frac{3}{8}$ " angles to the  $\frac{7}{16}$ " girder-web. The value of the connection is  $48 \times 4,500 + 30 \times 4,500 = 357,000$  lb. and the efficiency therefore is  $\frac{357,000}{375,000} = 94\%$ .

L76 L8. } This member is very similar  
See Fig. 16. } to the one just investigated, the only differences being in the total stress carried, which is 396,000 lb. and the size of the cover plate. The upper side is laced. L76 L8 is 16'-6½" long; its area



is  $41.30$  " and its radius of gyration is  $5.66$  ". The value of  $\frac{L}{r}$  is  $2,92$  and of  $P$  is  $13,400$  lb. The required area is therefore  $\frac{396,000}{13,400} = 29.5$  " which makes the efficiency  $\frac{41.3}{29.5} = 140\%$ .

In the connection at  $L76$  to the box-girder, there are  $52$   $\frac{7}{8}$  " field rivets directly through the  $0.72$  " webs of the channels and the  $\frac{7}{16}$  " webs of the box-girder, and  $32$   $\frac{7}{8}$  " field rivets through the  $\frac{3}{8}$  " angles to the  $\frac{7}{16}$  " webs. The total value of the connection is  $(52 + 32) 4,500 = 378,000$  lb. The efficiency is  $\frac{378,000}{396,000} = 96\%$ .

The connection  $396,000$  at  $L8$  is by  $24$   $\frac{7}{8}$  " field rivets through the  $0.72$  " webs of the channels and  $\frac{3}{8}$  " gusset-plates and  $\frac{1}{2}$  " splice plates. The cover plate splice has  $40$   $\frac{3}{4}$  " field rivets; the cover plate itself is  $\frac{5}{8}$  " thick while the splice is  $\frac{1}{2}$  " thick. The value of the connection is  $24 \times \frac{7}{8} \times 0.72 \times 15,000 + 40 \times 3,320 = 133,000 + 227,000 = 360,000$  lb.

The efficiency is  $\frac{360,000}{396,000} = 91\%$  if all stress is transferred through the splice, but as stated for the member  $L6$   $L76$ , it is fair to assume that some of the stress is transferred directly through the milled ends and, therefore, the connection is efficient.





$L_{12}$   $L_{13}$  This member has the same general shape as that given in Fig. 16. The two Channels are  $15" \times 40$  lb and the bottom cover plate is  $14" \times \frac{5}{8}"$ ; the top is laced. The stress carried as a maximum is 393,000 lb. The length is  $22'-8\frac{9}{16}"$  (both ends are milled), and its radius of gyration is 5.76, so that  $\frac{L}{r}$  is  $\frac{22.7}{5.76} = 3.94$  and the value of  $P$  is 12,800 lb. The required area is  $\frac{393,000}{12,800} = 30.7$  sq" and the given area is  $35.4$  sq" so that the efficiency is  $\frac{35.4}{30.7} = 115\%$ .

The connection at  $L_{12}$  has 14  $\frac{7}{8}"$  shop rivets and 6  $\frac{7}{8}"$  field rivets through the channel web, a  $\frac{3}{8}"$  gusset-plate and a  $\frac{1}{2}"$  splice plate on each side and 16  $\frac{3}{4}"$  shop rivets through the  $\frac{5}{8}"$  cover-plate and a  $\frac{1}{2}"$  splice-cover-plate. The value of the connection is  $14 \times \frac{7}{8} \times 0.52 \times 18,000 + 16 \times \frac{3}{4} \times 3980 + 6 \times \frac{7}{8} \times 0.52 \times 15,000 = 219,800$  lb. and the efficiency is  $\frac{219,800}{393,000} = 56\%$ , showing that the joint was probably designed to transfer part of the stress directly by means of the milled ends.

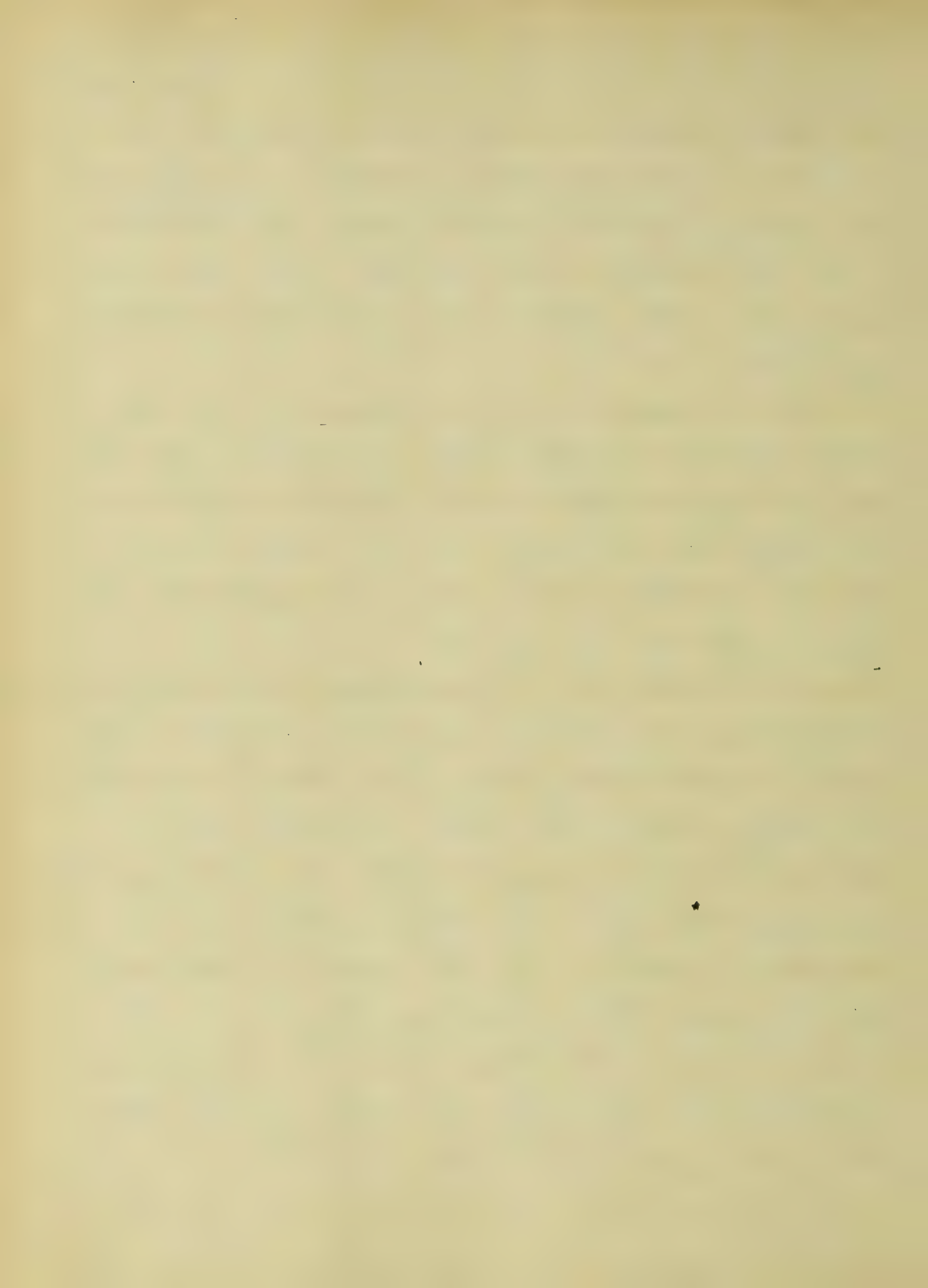
At  $L_{13}$  there are 20  $\frac{3}{4}"$  field rivets in the cover-plate splice, and 24  $\frac{7}{8}"$  field rivets



through the channel web, the  $\frac{3}{8}$ " gusset-plate and  $\frac{1}{2}$ " splice plate. The total value of these rivets is  $20 \times 3,980 + 24 \times \frac{7}{8} \times 0.57 \times 15,000 = 242,600$  lb. giving an efficiency of  $\frac{242,600}{393,000} = 62\%$ , but some of the stress will go through the milled ends and consequently, the joint may be considered efficient.

The remaining segments of the lower chord, with the exception of the box-girders under the towers, will be investigated for the section area only. The box-girders mentioned will be taken up in Art. 19.

The method of procedure for the investigation of the remaining segments of the lower chord, is the same as that already used in this article, viz; the allowable unit stress is governed by the ratio  $\frac{L}{r}$ ; the total stress in the member, divided by this unit allowable stress gives the required area and the given area divided by the required area gives the efficiency of the member.





# Efficiencies of Lower Chord Members.

Mark	Stress	Section	Length	Rad. 1 Gyr. in	$\frac{L}{r}$	Allowable Unit Stress	Given Area	Required Area	Efficiency
L <sub>1</sub> L <sub>2</sub>	133,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 12x25	21.4'	4.43	4.84	12,000	14.7	11.1	132%
L <sub>2</sub> L <sub>3</sub>	226,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 12x25	21.4	3.8	5.64	11,300	24.8	20.0	124%
		2 s. pl. 9x $\frac{9}{16}$	21.5	5.7					
L <sub>3</sub> L <sub>4</sub>	296,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15x40	21.5	5.7	3.77	12,900	30.6	23.0	133.
		1 pl. 14x $\frac{3}{8}$							
L <sub>4</sub> L <sub>5</sub>	337,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15x45	22.0	5.72	3.85	12,800	35.9	26.3	136.
		1 pl. 14x $\frac{1}{2}$							
L <sub>5</sub> L <sub>6</sub>	360,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15x50	22.0	5.60	3.94	12,700	37.7	28.3	130
		1 pl. 14x $\frac{7}{16}$							
L <sub>8</sub> L <sub>9</sub>	372,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15x50	22.9	5.66	4.05	12,700	39.2	29.3	134
		1 pl. 14x $\frac{9}{16}$							
L <sub>9</sub> L <sub>10</sub>	336,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15x40	22.8	5.76	3.96	12,700	35.4	26.4	134
		1 pl. 14x $\frac{5}{8}$							
L <sub>10</sub> L <sub>11</sub>	293,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15x33	22.7	5.85	3.88	12,700	30.8	22.9	134
		1 pl. 14x $\frac{9}{16}$							
L <sub>11</sub> L <sub>12</sub>	337,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15x40	22.7	5.76	3.94	12,700	35.5	26.3	135.
		1 pl. 14x $\frac{5}{8}$							
L <sub>13</sub> L <sub>14</sub>	448,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15x50	22.8	5.78	3.95	12,700	47.2	35.4	133.
		2 s. pl. 12x $\frac{5}{16}$							
		1 c. pl. 14x $\frac{9}{16}$							
L <sub>14</sub> L <sub>15</sub>	486,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15x50	23.0	5.65	4.07	12,700	51.2	38.2	134.
		2 s. pl. 12x $\frac{7}{16}$							
		1 c. pl. 14x $\frac{5}{8}$							
L <sub>16</sub> L <sub>17</sub>	459,000	2 L <sub>s</sub> 15x45	22.0	5.6	3.93	12,700	48.8	36.2	135.
		2 s. pl. 12x $\frac{7}{16}$							
		1 c. pl. 14x $\frac{5}{8}$							



L1748	435,000	2 Ls 15x41 <sup>5</sup> 2 s. pl. 12x $\frac{5}{16}$ 1 pl. 19x $\frac{5}{8}$	21.0	5.77	3.64	12,900	45.8	33.7	136 <sup>9</sup> %
L1849	400,000	2 Ls 15x40 2 s. pl. 12x $\frac{5}{16}$ 1 c. pl. 19x $\frac{5}{8}$	20.9	5.70	3.67	12,900	42.9	31.0	138.
L1920	352,000	2 Ls 15x41 <sup>5</sup> 1 c. pl. 19x $\frac{9}{16}$	20.9	5.71	3.66	13,000	37.2	27.1	137.
L2021	289,000	2 Ls 15x33 1 c. pl. 19x $\frac{9}{16}$	20.9	5.85	3.57	13,100	30.5	22.0	139.
L2122	213,000	2 Ls 12x25 2 side pls 9x $\frac{1}{2}$	20.8	3.80	5.50	11,400	23.7	18.7	127.
L2223	117,000	2 Ls 12x25	20.8	4.4	4.73	12,000	14.7	9.78	150.
L2324	32,000	2 Ls 12x20.5	21.0	4.61	4.55	12,300	17.0	2.6	460.





## Art. 18. Compression Members - Vertical Posts.

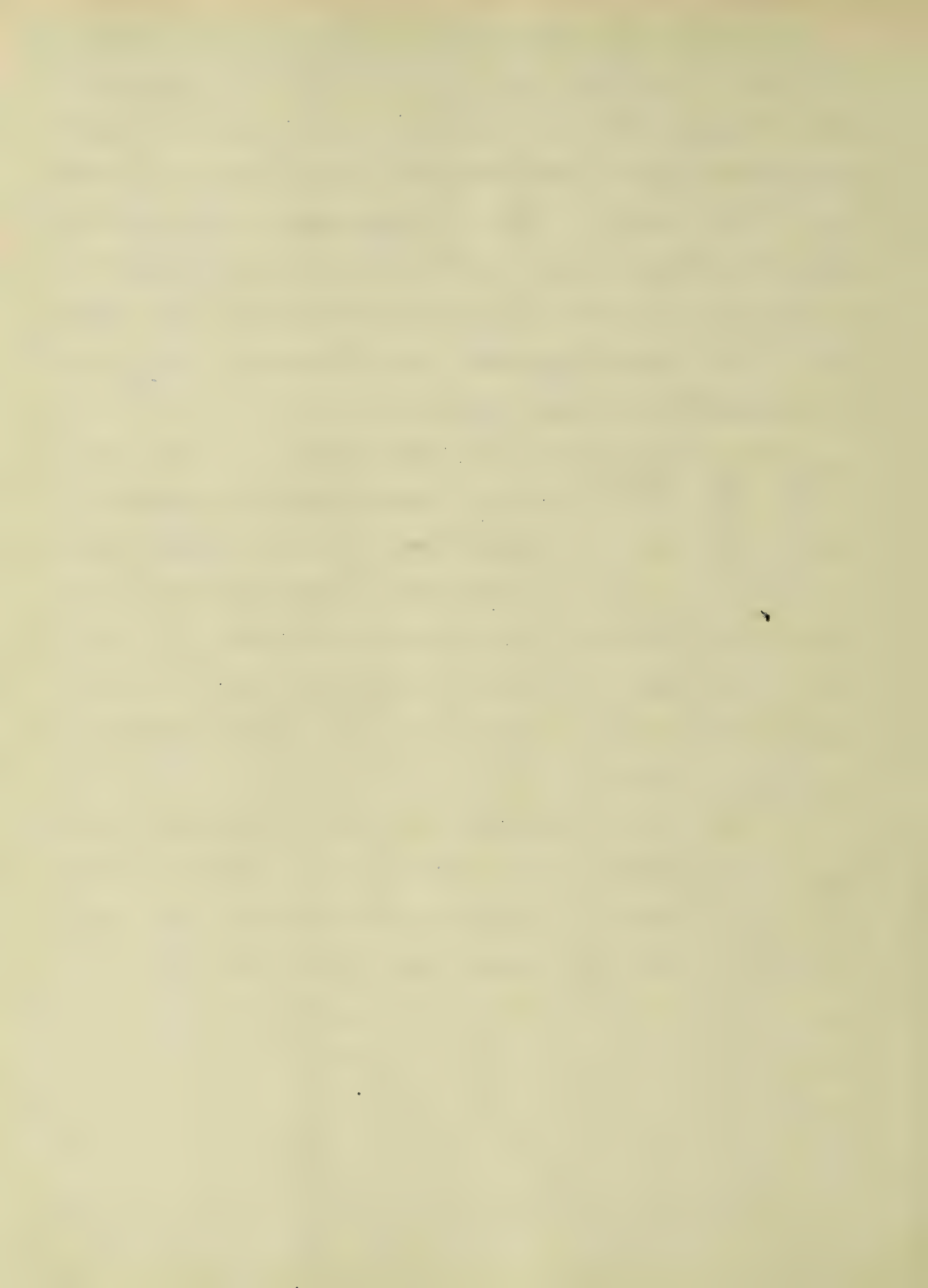
The vertical posts, <sup>(except in towers,</sup> are all composed of two 12 inch channels, of various weights according to stresses. They are laced on both sides. As a typical computation, the member  $U_5-L_5$  will be investigated as to area and connections and the others will be investigated as to area only and the results tabulated.



Fig. 17.

$U_5-L_5$ . This member is  $34'-0\frac{1}{16}"$  long, and has a radius of gyration of 4.61 which gives a value  $\frac{L}{r}$  of 7.37 and consequently  $P$  is 9,800 lb. The stress 88,000 lb. will therefore require  $\frac{88,000}{9,800} = 9.00 \text{ in}^2$ ; and since the given area is  $12.06 \text{ in}^2$  the efficiency is  $\frac{12.06}{9.0} = 134\%$ .

The connections to the chords at both top and bottom are by  $24 \frac{7}{8}"$  field rivets. The required number is  $\frac{88,000}{3,680} = 24$  and therefore the efficiency is  $\frac{24}{24} = 100\%$ .



# Efficiencies of Vertical Posts.

Mark.	Section.	Length	r	$\frac{L}{r}$	Allowable Unit St.	Total Area	Required Area	Given Area	Efficiency.
U <sub>1</sub> L <sub>1</sub>	2L <sup>s</sup> 12x20.5	18.0	4.61	3.9	12,600	22,000	1.75	12.06	690%
U <sub>2</sub> L <sub>2</sub>	"	20.5	"	4.45	17,300	81,000	6.6	"	183.
U <sub>3</sub> L <sub>3</sub>	"	23.0	"	5.0	11,800	94,000	7.97	"	151.
U <sub>4</sub> L <sub>4</sub>	"	27.0	"	5.86	11,200	92,000	8.21	"	147.
U <sub>6</sub> L <sub>6</sub>	"	42.5	"	9.23	8,300	84,000	10.1	"	119.
U <sub>7</sub> L <sub>7a</sub>	2L <sup>s</sup> 15x33	51.0	5.67	9.08	8,300	159,000	18.9	19.8	105.
U <sub>7</sub> L <sub>7b</sub>	2L <sup>s</sup> 15x40	51.0	5.43	9.4	8,100	194,000	24.0	23.5	98.
U <sub>8</sub> L <sub>8</sub>	2L <sup>s</sup> 12x25	46.0	4.43	10.4	7,200	95,000	13.2	14.7	111.
U <sub>9</sub> L <sub>9</sub>	"	43.5	"	9.82	8,400	79,000	9.4	14.7	156%
U <sub>12</sub> L <sub>12</sub>	"	42.5	"	9.6	7,800	100,000	12.8	14.7	115.
U <sub>13</sub> L <sub>13</sub>	"	43.0	"	9.7	7,800	105,000	13.4	"	110
U <sub>14</sub> L <sub>14</sub>	"	46.0	"	10.4	7,200	111,000	15.4	"	95.
U <sub>15</sub> L <sub>15</sub>	2L <sup>s</sup> 15x40	51.0	5.43	9.4	8,100	208,000	25.6	23.5	92.
U <sub>16</sub> L <sub>16</sub>	"	51.0	"	9.4	8,100	214,000	26.4	"	89.
U <sub>17</sub> L <sub>17</sub>	2L <sup>s</sup> 12x20.5	41.5	4.61	9.0	8,300	109,000	13.1	12.06	92.
U <sub>18</sub> L <sub>18</sub>	"	35.4	"	7.7	9,600	110,000	11.5	"	105.
U <sub>19</sub> L <sub>19</sub>	"	30.0	"	6.51	10,500	104,000	9.9	"	122
U <sub>20</sub> L <sub>20</sub>	"	26.0	"	5.64	11,300	102,000	9.07	"	133.
U <sub>21</sub> L <sub>21</sub>	"	23.5	"	5.1	11,800	100,000	8.47	"	142
U <sub>22</sub> L <sub>22</sub>	"	21.4	"	4.64	12,100	84,000	6.95	"	174
U <sub>23</sub> L <sub>23</sub>	"	20.0	"	4.34	12,400	22,000	1.8	"	670.





# Art. 19. Compression Members - Box Girder

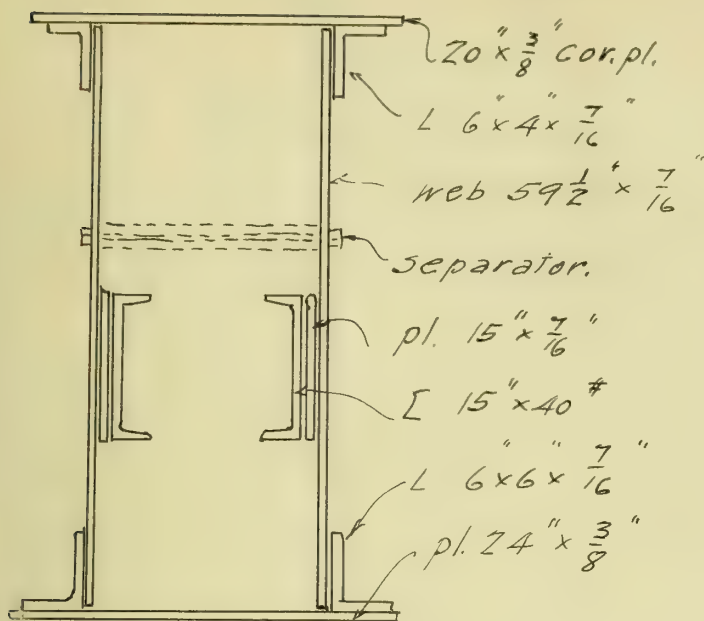


Fig. 18.

The composition of the box-girder under the fixed tower is shown in Fig. 18. The channels and plates on the inside were designed to carry the direct stress on the member, 364,000 lb.

The girder will be considered as carrying a uniformly distributed load equal to the reaction. For the maximum reaction, the trolley will be directly over the panel in question, or the total reaction will be the sum of trolley load, 75,000 lb. plus the dead load reaction 210,000 lb. or 285,000 lb. The moment of this is  $\frac{Wl}{8}$

$$= \frac{285,000 \times 212.5}{8} = 7,570,000 \text{ lb. in.}$$

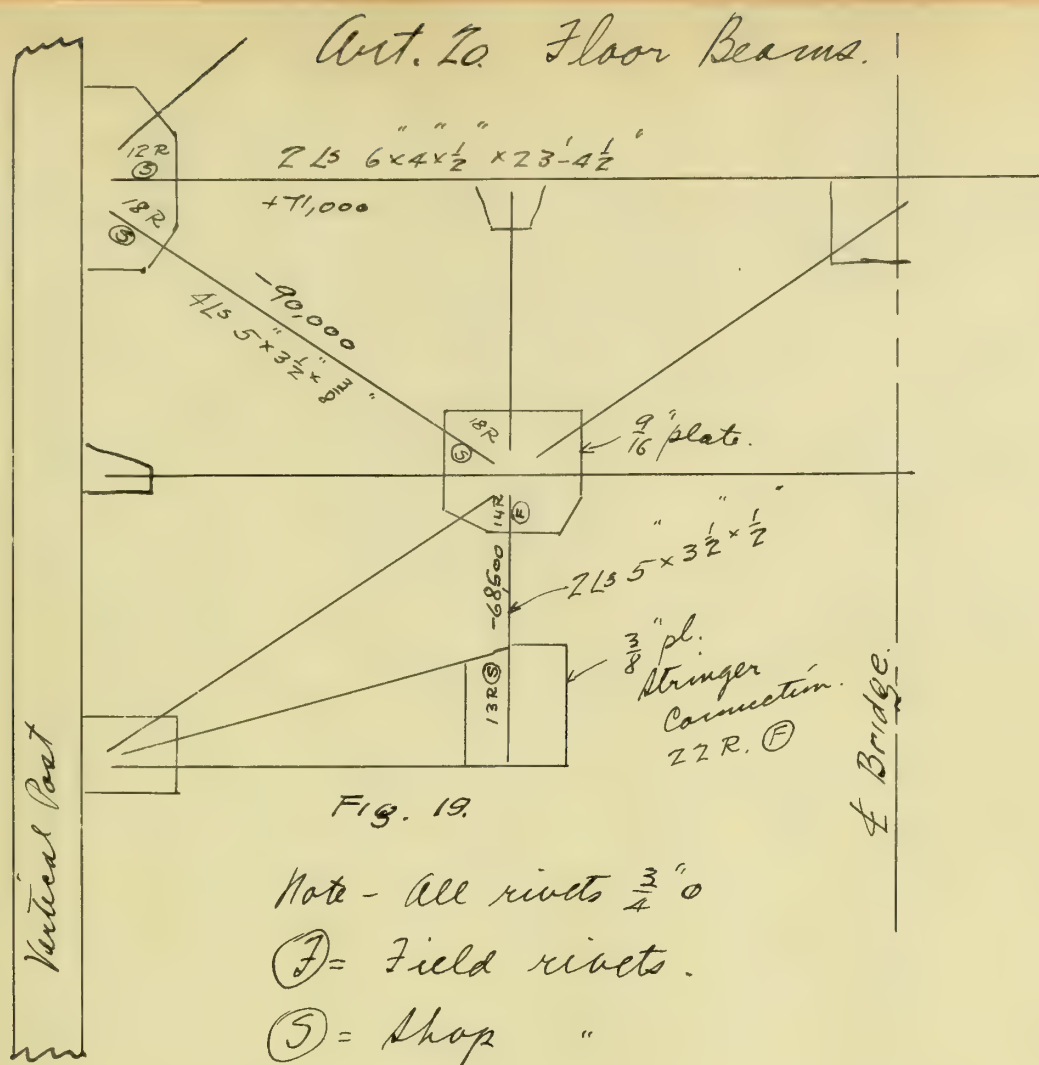


This moment is resisted by the moment of the flange-stress,  $F$ , which is  $F \times h$  where " $h$ " is the effective depth. In this girder,  $h$  will be assumed as 54", which makes  $F$  equal to

$$\frac{7,570,000}{54} = 140,000 \text{ lb. At a unit stress of}$$

16,000, this stress would require an area of  $\frac{140,000}{16,000} = 8.8 \text{ sq. in.}$  net in the flange. The given area is that of the cover-plate and the two angles. The upper flange is considered as that is the smaller. The gross area of the cover-plate is  $7.5 \text{ sq. in.}$  and the net area =  $6.75 \text{ sq. in.}$  The gross area of the angles is  $8.36 \text{ sq. in.}$  which is reduced by rivet-holes to  $7.49 \text{ sq. in.}$  net. The total net flange area is then  $6.75 + 7.49 = 14.24 \text{ sq. in.}$  Since  $8.8 \text{ sq. in.}$  are required, the efficiency of the flange is  $\frac{14.24}{8.8} = 161\%$ .

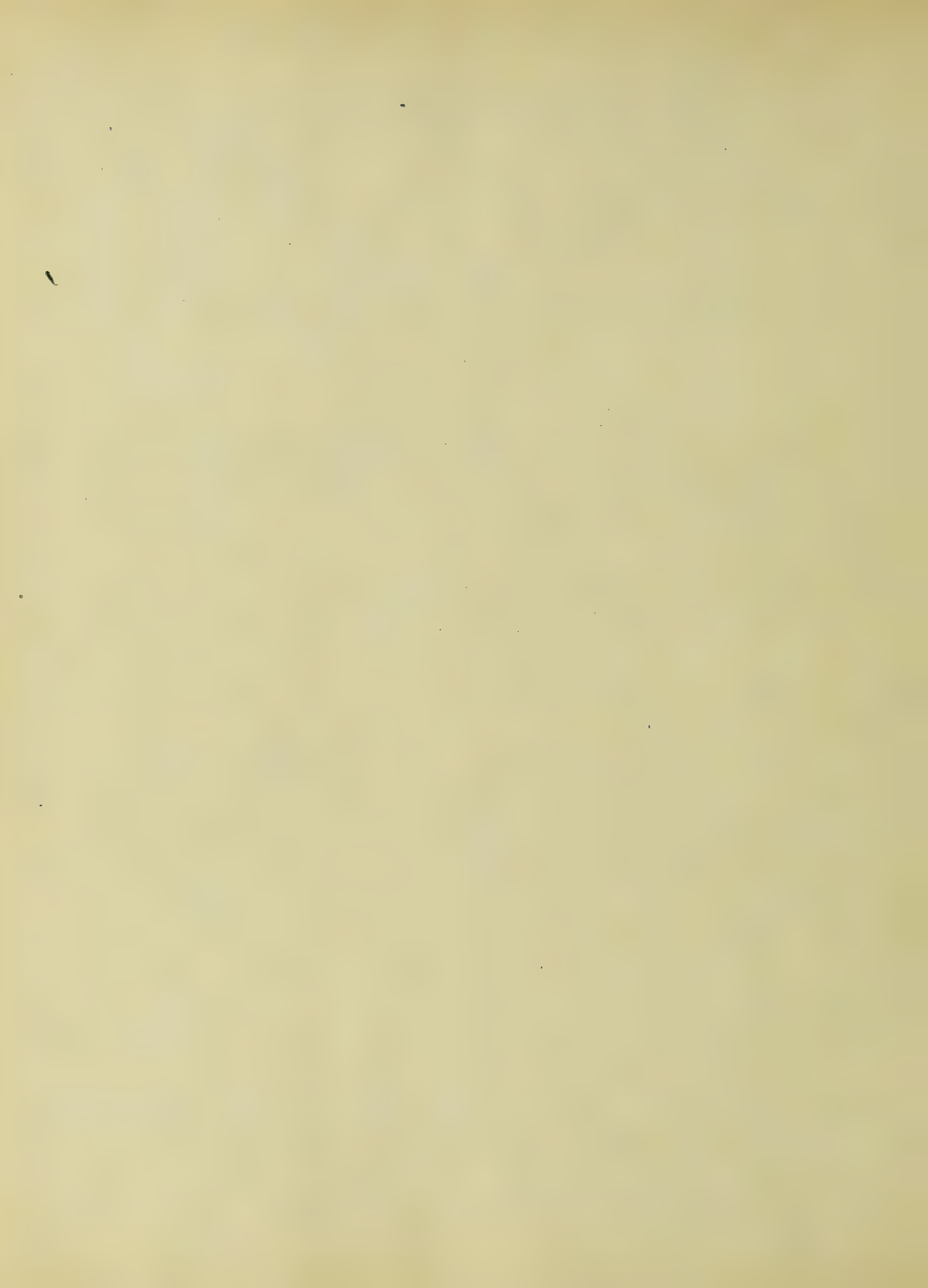




The floor-beams are latticed girders, composed entirely of angles and gusset plates. Fig. 19 shows the parts in their respective positions, the stresses carried and the sizes.

The vertical member which carries the longitudinal stringers, is composed of  $2 L5 5 \times 3 \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$  with a net area of  $6.38 \text{ in}^2$ . The stress which it carries, 68,500 lb., requires an area of  $\frac{68,500}{16,000} = 4.28 \text{ in}^2$  net. The efficiency, then is  $\frac{6.38}{4.28} = 149\%$ . As shown by Fig. 19.,





the connection at the top is by 14  $\frac{3}{4}$ " field rivets, while the required number is  $\frac{68,500}{5,670} = 13$ , 5,670 lb. being the value of a  $\frac{3}{4}$ " field rivet in  $\frac{1}{2}$ " bearing. In the lower connection there are 13  $\frac{3}{4}$ " shop rivets; the required number is  $\frac{68,500}{6,750} = 11$ , 6,750 lb. being the value of a  $\frac{3}{4}$ " shop rivet in  $\frac{1}{2}$ " bearing. The efficiency of the upper connection is  $\frac{14}{13} = 108\%$ , and of the lower connection  $\frac{13}{11} = 118\%$ .

The diagonal member transferring the load from the gusset-plate to the vertical post, is composed of 4L<sup>s</sup> 5"  $\times$  3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "  $\times$   $\frac{3}{8}$ " with a net area of 9.77". The stress, 99,000 lb., requires a net area of  $\frac{99,000}{16,000} = 6.2$ "<sup>2</sup>, so the efficiency of the member is  $\frac{9.77}{6.2} = 157\%$ .

The connections at both ends of the member contain 18  $\frac{3}{4}$ " shop rivets which are in double shear. The required number will therefore be controlled by the bearing value in the  $\frac{3}{8}$ " leg of the angles, and is  $\frac{99,000}{5,070} = 20$ . The efficiency of the connection is then  $\frac{18}{20} = 90\%$ .

The horizontal strut between the vertical posts, carries the horizontal



component of the stress in the diagonal just investigated. This component is 71,000 lb. compression and the member must therefore be investigated as a column. It is composed of 2 L's  $6 \times 4 \times \frac{1}{2} \times 23'-4\frac{1}{2}"$ ; the 4" legs are placed back to back with  $\frac{5}{16}"$  washers between; see Fig. 20.

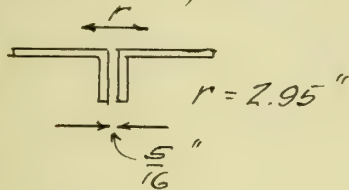


Fig. 20.

There are several braces for the 4" legs and therefore the dangerous radius of gyration is in the direction of the 6" legs. This

"r" is found to be 2.95 inches. The value of  $\frac{L}{r}$  is  $\frac{23.35}{2.95} = 7.9$  which gives a unit allowable stress of 9,300 lb. The total stress, 71,000 lb., therefore requires an area of  $\frac{71,000}{9,300} = 7.62 \text{ in}^2$  and since the given available area is  $9.50 \text{ in}^2$  the efficiency is  $\frac{9.50}{7.62} = 124\%$ .

The connection to the  $\frac{9}{16}"$  plate at the vertical post has 8  $\frac{3}{4}"$  shop rivets in the  $\frac{1}{2}"$  legs of the angles and 4  $\frac{3}{4}"$  shop rivets in the  $\frac{5}{16}"$  legs of two additional angles. The total value of these rivets is  $8 \times 6,750 + 4 \times 4,220 = 70,800 \text{ lb.}$  and the efficiency, therefore, is  $\frac{70,800}{71,000} = 100\%$ .





## Art. 21. Stringers.

The stringers are plate girders which support the track for the trolley on their upper flanges. The stringers are all of the same depth,  $2'-8\frac{1}{2}"$  and are very nearly alike, the only difference being, that in the two longer panel lengths,  $21'-5"$  and  $22'-8\frac{1}{4}"$ , the flange angles are  $5 \times 3\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{9}{16}$  while in the  $20'-9\frac{1}{2}"$  panels the flange angles are  $5 \times 3\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$ . The  $22'-8\frac{1}{4}"$  stringer will be investigated.

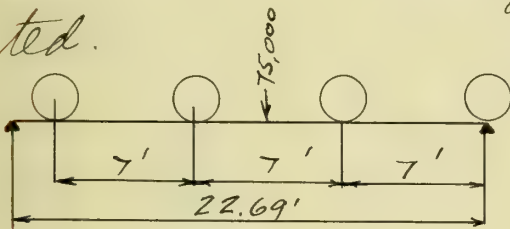


Fig. 21.

The maximum end shear will occur when the trolley is in the position shown in Fig. 21, and is  $\frac{22.69 - 10.5}{22.69} \times 75,000 = 40,400$  lb. The dead load shear is that due to weight of the stringer and its bracing, 1,300 lb. or a total of 41,700 lb. The required web area is  $\frac{41,700}{10,000} = 4.17$  sq. in. and since the depth is 32", the thickness required is  $\frac{4.17}{32.0} = 0.13$ ". Since a  $\frac{3}{8}"$  web was used the efficiency in shear is  $\frac{0.37}{0.13} = 284\%$ .

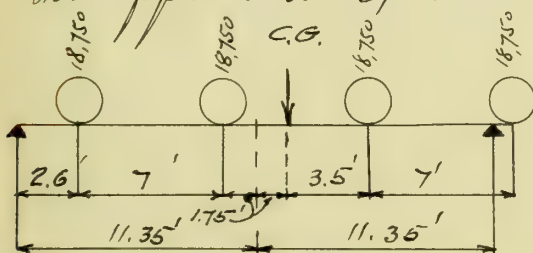


Fig. 22.

The bending moment of the loads is the sum of dead and live load bending moments. The position



of the trolley for maximum bending moment is shown in Fig. 22. This bending moment is -  $+ (1.75 + 8.75) 18,750 -$   
 $(\frac{9.6}{22.69} \times 75,000) 11.35 = 107,000' \#$  The dead load  
bending moment is  $\frac{Wl}{8} = \frac{2,400 \times 22.69}{8}$   
 $= 6,800' \#$  or a total of  $107,000 + 6,800 = 113,800' \#$   
 $= 1,366,600' \#$  The depth of the girder is  
 $32\frac{1}{2}"$ . The effective depth may be assumed  
as  $28"$ , which gives a flange stress of  
 $\frac{1,366,600}{28} = 48,800' \#$  At a unit stress of  $10,000$   
lb. per sq. in., the area required is  $\frac{48,800}{10,000} =$   
 $4.88$  and since the net area of the flange  
is  $6.97' \#$ , the efficiency of the flange  
is  $\frac{6.97}{4.88} = 142\%$ .





## Conclusion.

The conclusion that may be drawn from the investigation of the members of the gantry-crane, is that some are below the requirements as to area and some are deficient in connections. These deficiencies, however, are not so dangerous as might appear, when it is remembered that the assumed live load of 75,000 lb. per truss is from 15,000 to 20,000 lb. heavier than the actual live load will ever be. The factor of safety, also, will take care of the few deficiencies, so that it may safely be said, that the bridge is all right. Another cause for such a belief, is the fact that the bridge has been up and in successful operation for several years.











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